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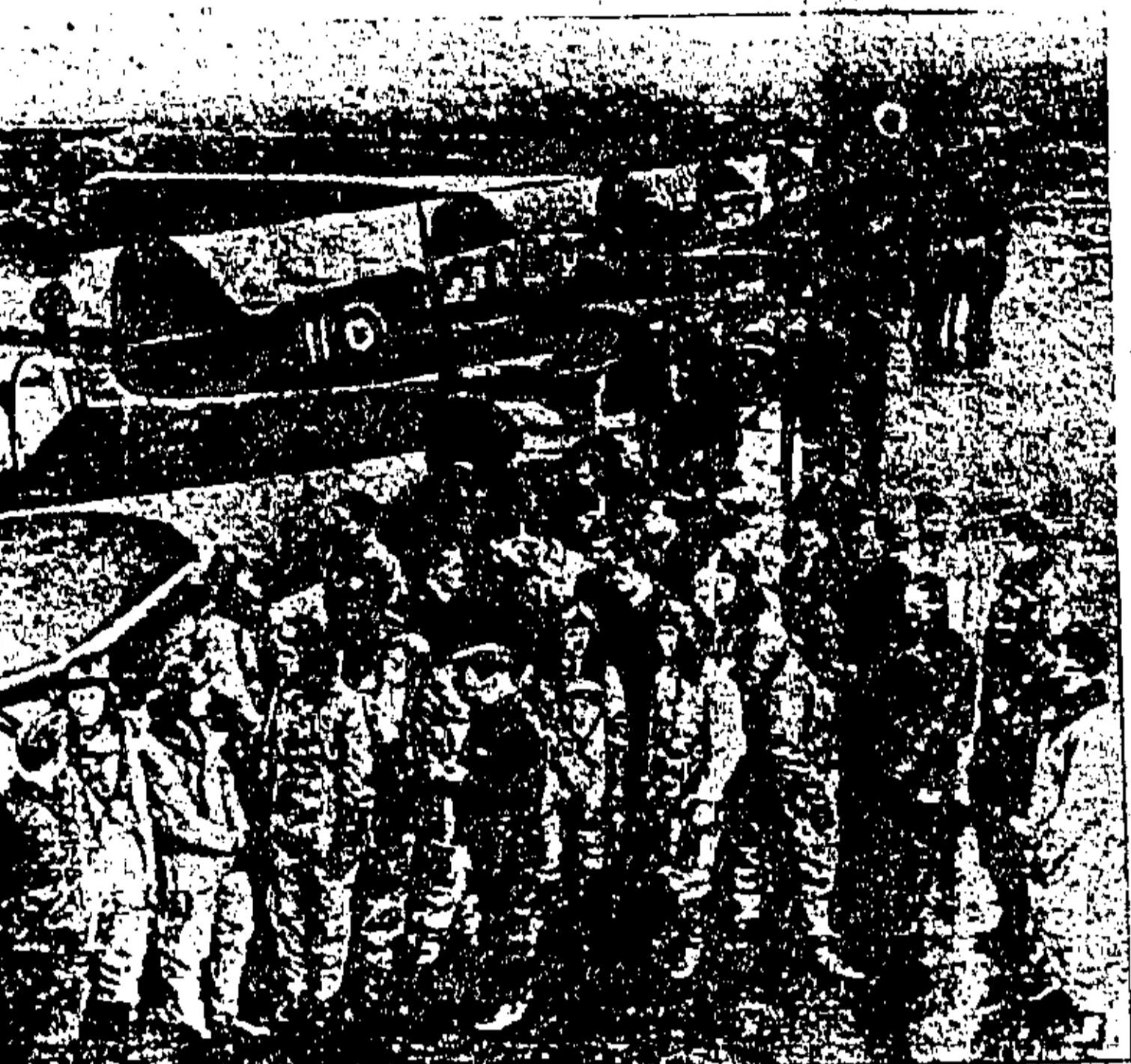
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ELEVEN GERMAN MACHINES SHOT DOWN: ALLIED AIR SUCCESSES ON THE WESTERN FRONT

YOUNG PILOTS



Young "fighter" pilots by a line of new trainer aeroplanes which have astonished even experts by their abnormal speed performances. In severe tests these remarkable "Masters" exceeded 500 miles an hour in a dive from Oxford to Farnborough.

Story Of Sinking Of Two Nazi U-Boats By Same French Warship

LONDON, NOV. 24 (REUTER)—THE ALLIED SUCCESSES YESTERDAY IN AIR BATTLES ON THE WESTERN FRONT WERE GREATER THAN PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

ELEVEN ENEMY MACHINES WERE BROUGHT DOWN, FOUR BY THE FRENCH AIR FORCE AND SEVEN BY THE ROYAL AIR FORCE. THE R.A.F. LOST NO PLANES WHILE ONLY ONE FRENCH MACHINE FAILED TO RETURN. TWO OF OUR MACHINES WERE DAMAGED BUT MANAGED TO LAND SAFELY.

The German planes were on individual reconnaissance flights at a height of over 2,000 feet.

MYSTERY OF MUNICH EXPLOSION ARRESTS

LONDON, NOV. 24 (REUTER)—The Munich explosion arrests are becoming more mysterious.

A report that George Elser was an inmate of the Dachau concentration camp from 1937 until a week ago was contained in a despatch from the Hungarian-German frontier.

The report, stated to have come from a high National Socialist source, declares that Elser and another prisoner, who is expected to be mentioned in the case, were taken to the Swiss frontier by prison guards where they were re-arrested with considerable publicity and brought back to Munich to be denounced as the instigators of the beer-cellars plot.

In a broadcast, the German Freedom Station, addressing Herr Hitler, said: "You know, as well as we do, that Elser is not responsible for the Munich explosion. We know the perpetrators."

BRITONS ALIVE

LONDON, NOV. 24 (REUTER)—It is learned in London that Mr. Best and Capt. Stevens are alive in Berlin to where they have been taken after being kidnapped by the Gestapo at Venlo.

NOW A FRIEND OF CHINA

KWEILIN, Nov. 23 (Central)—Kensaku Shiomori, Chancellor of the Japanese Consulate in Hanoi, French Indo-China, who was seized by Chinese troops when he strayed into Kwangsi territory on December 29 last year, denounced Japanese militarism during the press reception at the Generals' provisional Headquarters for the South-west yesterday.

Introducing Shiomori, a Chinese spokesman said: "Mr. Shiomori has now become our friend and the enemy of the Japanese militarists."

Shiomori explained why he had turned against the Japanese militarists and joined the Japanese revolutionary front, and pointed to the weaknesses of the Japanese Government and the recklessness of the Japanese militarists.

Revealing the Japanese militarists' ambition for southward expansion, he said, "As I know, the Japanese militarists have the intention to extend their aggression to French Indo-China, the Philippines, Thailand, and Dutch East Indies."

JAPANESE DRIVE TOWARDS PINGKUTHU CHECKED: MUCH AERIAL ACTIVITY

KWEILIN, Nov. 24 (Central)—About 1,000 Japanese troops driving toward Pingkuthu, north-east of Yamchow, are reported to have suffered a serious reverse.

As a result of Chinese frontal and rear attacks, over 500 Japanese were killed and 300 taken prisoner. Several hundred Japanese rifles were captured by the Chinese. The Japanese are falling back to Yamchow.

KWEILIN, Nov. 24 (Central)—While raiding Nanning, the ancient capital of Kwangsi, two Japanese naval aircraft were shot down by Chinese anti-aircraft gunfire yesterday. The Japanese airmen were all killed.

Wuming and Pingyang, respectively about 47 miles north-west and 32 miles north-east of Nanning, were bombed by the Japanese raiders. Pingyang suffered three attacks.

JAPANESE DRIVE YUNGYUN, KWANTUNG, Nov. 24 (Central)—The Japanese are rushing up reinforcements to the north of Canton for the northward drive.

Military advices reveal that the Japanese are advancing in three columns. One column pushing

Mines Menace Will Be Countered

By The Creation Of New Devices:

Use Of Wooden Boats

Fitted With Steel Rafts

(SPECIAL TO THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS)

LONDON, NOV. 24 (Havas)—The Naval authorities today confirmed that the mines menace will be countered within six or seven days by the creation of new mine-sweeping devices, notably the use of wooden boats equipped with steel rafts.

Meanwhile, the Admiralty has decided to intensify the verification of identity of neutral vessels since, according to some indications, the Germans lay their magnetic mines by steamers camouflaged as neutral ships.

TURKISH C.I.N.C. IN PARIS

PARIS, NOV. 24 (REUTER)—Gen. Orbay, Turkish Commander-in-Chief arrived here from London last night. He was met by the Turkish Ambassador and had interviews with high French officials. He will remain in Paris for a few days.

POLITICIANS HAVE GAINED THE IMPRESSION that these German activities are intended to divert attention from the gigantic preparations for the offensive which some neutral sources believe is imminent, adding that the war has now entered an active phase as indicated by the preliminary operations of the German Air Force over the British coast.

Some expect a violent German air offensive will be directed against British factories, harbours and all important centres without consideration for loss of civilian life.

The British Air Force is fully capable of repelling these attacks while the British Navy is ready to take ruthless reprisals at sea, which, however, will not entail loss of life or merchantmen as in the German methods of warfare.

ELECTRIC HAWSER

Wooden mine-sweepers operating in pairs with an electrically charged hawser stung in the water between them will be used by the Allies to combat the German magnetic mine.

The mine-sweepers, using special equipment, will scrape the very bottom of the sea contracting and exploding such mines.

MEANWHILE, THE OPINION IS PREVALENT here that the Germans are endeavouring to devise new means of naval warfare every week and the Admiralty have closely watched the "mysterious activities" of certain German seaplanes.

SEIZURE ORDER ON TUESDAY

LONDON, NOV. 24 (REUTER)—It is understood that an Order-in-Council will be issued on Tuesday authorising the seizure of German exports by Britain.

AERIAL ACTIVITY

SHIJKWAN, KWANTUNG, NOV. 24 (Central)—Japanese planes

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PRIME MINISTER'S BROADCAST TODAY

LONDON, NOV. 24 (REUTER)—On Saturday, Mr. Neville Chamberlain will be broadcasting on "The War and Ourselves." Recordings will be given on transmission II and III on Monday, Nov. 27 by the B.B.C.

HISTORIC FIRST MEETING

(Special to the Hongkong Daily Press)

PARIS, NOV. 24 (Havas)—The historical first meeting of the provisional Polish Government was held today at Angers where the Polish Government enjoys sovereign rights.

General Sikorski, Prime Minister, voiced determination to keep on fighting.

"We are coming out from this catastrophe purified and strengthened. We will never forget our responsibility before a nation of 34,000,000," he declared.

SHANGHAI, NOV. 24 (REUTER)—Waking up a British subject, Mr. C. M. Santos, at 3 a.m. by pounding on the door with rifle butts, a patrol of the Japanese Naval Landing Party yesterday searched Mr. Santos' flat, which is situated in the section of the Hongkew district, where the Japanese were apparently conducting a house-to-house search of premises owned by Chinese.

Mr. Santos' wife and child were aroused from their bed and discovered six Japanese with rifles with fixed bayonets outside the entrance, who immediately entered the flat despite protestations and the production of a British passport. The Japanese made a brief search before continuing on their way. Mr. Santos is reporting the incident to the British Consular authorities.

ROUSED FROM BED BY A JAPANESE PATROL

British Subject's Home Searched In Shanghai

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Japanese Propaganda Methods In U.S. Revised

The Japanese have lately revised their propaganda methods in the United States. Dr. T. Z. Koo, Special Secretary of the World Student Christian Federation and popular lecturer in America and England, told Central News in an interview.

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"NEEDLE" LEAGUE FOOTBALL MATCH AT CAROLINE HILL: SOUTH CHINA "A" V. KOWLOON

Kwong Wah v. Middlesex Should Be Good Game

BY "PILAT"

THE FEATURE OF THE LEAGUE FOOTBALL PROGRAMME WILL BE THE "NEEDLE" MATCH AT CAROLINE HILL THIS AFTERNOON between SOUTH CHINA "A" and KOWLOON, the only two teams who still retain a 100 per cent record in the Senior Division.

Many changes in the Caroline Hill team's line-up are expected. It is doubtful whether Lee Wai-tong, should he enter the final of the Mixed Doubles tennis championship, will be able to turn out this afternoon. Other doubtful starters are Leung Wing-chui and Lai Shul-wing, who are on the injured list.

Lou Tau-man, the speedy left-winger, has left for Shanghai for a fortnight.

It is learned that the champions are thinking of reintroducing Ip Pak-wah to the left-wing berth. It will be recalled that Ip played in this position in the 1931 Interport and was, at one time, one of the finest outside-lefts the Colony has seen.

South China, after being surprisingly held by Middlesex, would do well to remember that the Mainland team is well-known for their last minute revival during which they usually find the net.

The Chinese had a good taste of this in last season's Senior Shield semi-final when it took them two replays before they could dispose of the stubborn Mainlanders.

Kowloon's final line-up is not to hand, but it is expected they will field the same side that did service in their last match. It is hoped that Volunteers and other duties will not prevent them from fielding their strongest eleven.

Kowloon excel more in defence than in attack and have revealed that they are in dire need of a "sharp-shooter" to liven up an otherwise unenterprising forward line.

Kowloon possess a fairly strong defence and Everest and Ulrich will be given their severest test to date and on them will fall the unenviable job of stopping the fine Chinese forward line, so often described, not without justification, as a "well-oiled machine".

In this connexion soccer fans in general, and Kowloon supporters in particular, will be pleased to

Low Scoring At H.K.R.A. Mid-Week Shoot: Cpl. Langford's "Hat Trick" In Winning Nett Spoons

Receipts From Tomorrow's Card For B.W.O.F.

With many softballers attending the various volunteer camps, the Men's League has been able to arrange only two fixtures for tomorrow, leaving the Ladies' matches to provide the main attraction in the day's programme.

The two leaders of the Ladies' section, the Recreio Ramblers and the Chung Hwa Wildcats, start off the day at 10.30 a.m., the former entertaining the Cardinals at Recreio while the latter clash with the Ball Club girls at Prince Edward Road.

Served by one of the most efficient infiels in the local competition, the Ramblers should win with ease over the Cardinals for their third straight victory of the campaign.

"Doc" Molthen's Redbirds were hard pressed to eke out a close decision over the Baby Panthers last week, and heartened by their first taste of the fruits of victory, should give an improved display against the hard-hitting Recreio outfit.

THE OPENER

In the opener of a triple bill on the Prince Edward Road ground, the Wildcats will go all out to avenge the caning they took from the Ball Club Girls in a pre-season friendly, and, in view of their convincing displays since the league season began, should do so without much difficulty.

Touted to be one of the strongest of local aggregations earlier in the year, the Ball Club girls appear to have lost the form that accounted for the Wildcats and Wahoes in practice sessions, and will do well to hold the slugging Wildcats to be fairly close margin.

SECOND GAME

The second game, at noon, will

H.K. FOOTBALL ASSN. COUNCIL MEETING

A Council Meeting of the Hong Kong Football Association will be held at the Association's office on Monday, Dec. 4, at 5.30 p.m.

BUSINESS

- Minutes of Council Meeting, No. 4.
- Minutes of League Management Committee Meeting No. 5.
- Accounts.
- Draw for 1st round Junior and Senior Shield Competition.
- Sunday Herald Charity Cup Competition.
- Charity game on January 1, 1940 for B.O.W.F.
- Interport with Shanghai.
- Any other business.

be depended upon to muster together a fairly strong eleven.

UNIMPRESSIVE RECORD

The custodians of the law have not a very impressive record. They have drawn four of the seven matches played, lost two and have only one victory to their credit.

Police appear to be "dark horses" in the League and I will not be surprised if they add yet another drawn game to their bag of four.

With the postponement of the St. Joseph's-South China "B" game, tomorrow will see only one Senior League match—EASTERN v. ROYAL SCOTS. on the Club ground.

EASTERN'S LAPSE

Eastern's aspirations for championship honours received a rude shock when they were held to a goalless draw by the Police two weeks ago. Another similar lapse on their part will greatly hamper Eastern's chances.

Eastern had a rest last week and should benefit by this.

Royal Scots, strange to say, have only one forward of note, namely, Hosack, who is in brilliant form this season. If the Eastern defence succeed in bottling up the Scots' dashing leader this will go a long way towards victory. Incidentally, Hosack has been scoring very consistently and is the Scots' best marksman.

FORECAST

South China "A" (3) v. Kowloon (0)

Kwong Wah (0) v. Middlesex (2).

Navy (5) v. Police (1).

Eastern (2) v. Royal Scots (2).

NOTE.—Figures in brackets denote scores in the first round games played last season.

KOWLOON F.C. TEAMS FOR WEEK-END

The following are the Kowloon Football Club teams for the weekend.

1st eleven v. South China "A" (Caroline Hill):—A. W. Smith; R. J. Everest, A. Ulrich; R. D. Maxwell, W. Williamson, A. J. L. Eastman; W. Knox, P. Jorge, V. H. White, H. Jackson and P. Bell.

2nd eleven v. Signals (Kowloon F.C.):—A. Lapsley; E. Humphrey, R. Coppard; K. Gordon-James, J. Dawes, D. Hardwick; A. Taylor, C. M. Santos, D. Knox, H. Santos and P. Jorge.

see the Cubs tangle with the Baby Panthers. If Coach Bill Smith expects to stay out of the gutter this year, here is the spot to do it.

Neither of these contestants can expect to do much against the other teams, so will stage a battle to leave the other holding the wooden spoon; the Cubs are favoured to get this dubious honour, but Cesario Xavier's Kittens are bound to have a tough job on their hands.

THE NIGHTCAP

The Canadian Chinese take on the Pirates in the night cap at 1.30 p.m.; the Maple Leaf squad are the dark-horse in this year's pennant race and should be one step nearer their goal when the last putout is made.

Maudie Read had a hard time steadyng her girls against Recreio last week, and, if her team-mates can get through this game without reproducing those expensive errors, the Buccaneers will give the Canucks quite a battle.

DOUBLE-HEADER

The double-header on the C.B.A. ground will commence with the Mindanao-Liga fracas at 12.30 p.m.

The sailor boys should take the points with ease and will probably give their second stringers a run

LADIES' GAMES WILL AGAIN BE MAIN ATTRACTION IN SUNDAY SOFTBALL CARD BY R.O.Y.

Volunteer camp and an unpromising morning resulted in a falling off in the attendance this week, only 61 members being present.

Fortunately the weather improved, but changes in the wind kept scores comparatively low.

Cpl. Langford 1/Mx. Regiment is to be congratulated for again winning the nett spoons with open sights. His three successive scores of 91, 91 and 92 constitute a "hat trick" for nett spoons.

Handicap spoons were won by L.A.C. T. H. Storey R.A.F. and Boy Ward 1/Mx. for S.R. (a) Class.

Edu. W. Kifford 7/Mx. won the nett spoon while Mr. Trenouth of Dockyard Rifle Club and L.A.C. L. Hunt took handicap spoons for S.R. (b) Class.

For the second time in successive C/Sgt. P. Hale won the possible button at 500 yards.

TOMORROW'S PROGRAMME

Tomorrow, Sunday, Nov. 26, shooting will be from 8 a.m. till noon at 200 and 300 yards—ten shots each, with Clay Bird and Revolver Shooting. All receipts will be given to the British War Organization Fund.

A Match for the Bellios Shield will be fixed between the Hongkong Police Reserve Rifle Club and the Dockyard Rifle Club.

S.R. (b) CLASS

	Hip	300	500	600	Tl.
B/m. W. Kifford	2	32	33	33	98*
Sgt. P. E. Russell	Scr.	32	32	32	96
Sgt. P. Cooper	3	33	31	96	
C/Sgt. P. Hale	32	35	32	96	
P/Sgt. F. Tollison	4	31	32	29	95
Capt. R. T. Guscott	2	34	32	30	95
Mr. W. Trenouth	5	31	34	30	95
L.A.C. L. R. Hunt	7	30	32	30	92
Seelour	Scr.	30	32	30	92
P/Sgt. P. H. Thong	..	31	33	29	92

*Denotes winner of Nett Spoon.

†Denotes winner of Handicap Spoon.

‡Denotes winner of Possible Button.

Winner of "a" or "b" will have his handicap reduced by one point.

HONGKONG HOCKEY CLUB TEAMS

The following teams have been chosen to represent the Hongkong Hockey Club in matches arranged for the coming week.

"A" XI v. the Hongkong Police 1st XI on the Club ground, on Wednesday, Nov. 29 at 5 p.m.

V. M. Benwell; V. C. Bond and

E. V. Reed; Cdr. F. Corrie-Hill; S. Fowler;

D. S. Carey; G. E. R. Divett

(Capt.), T. D. Whitley, R. A. Bates

His Excellency the Governor's

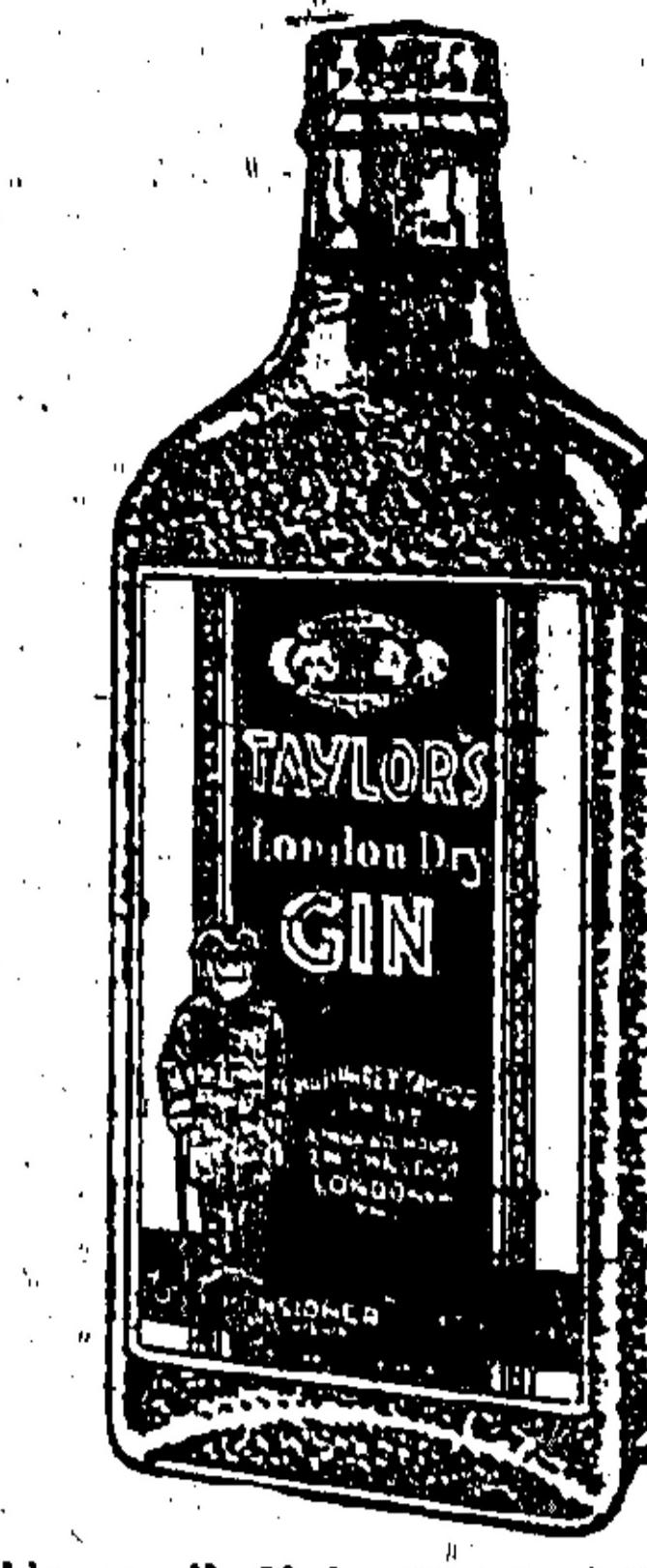
team will meet the C.S.C.C. at lawn

bows at Government House on

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COMING EVENTS

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25 Tides: High 8.20 a.m. and 7.54 p.m. Low 2.25 a.m. and 1.45 p.m. Sunrise: 6.42 a.m.; Sunset: 5.38 p.m. R.E.O.C.A. Supper Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m. St. Andrew's Church: Day of Prayer and Gifts. St. John's Cathedral Fair, Volunteer Hall, 2.45 p.m. R.E.W.O. and Servts. Mex. Whist Drive and Dance, 8.30 p.m. R.A.O.C. Assm. Dance, Hotel Cecil, 8.30 p.m. Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Closing Day, 2 p.m. C.R.C.: Tennis Final: At Home, 2.30 p.m.

Wah Yan Pash Students Assn. Annual Mtg. and Dinner, 6.30 p.m. D.G.S. Planell Dance, 9 p.m. Presentation of Insignia, Government House, 11.30 a.m.

Entries close for All-China Exhibition of Pictorial Photography, 26 Tides: High 9.15 a.m. and 8.26 p.m. Low 3.05 a.m. and 2.15 p.m. Sunrise: 6.43 a.m.; Sunset: 5.33 p.m. H.K.R.A. Shoot, 9 a.m.

Gold—First Round of Club Championships, St. Andrews vs. St. Georges.

C.R.C. Open Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament Finals.

Three Dances From Neil Gwyn (German)—1. Country Dance; 2. Pastoral Dance; 3. Merrymakers Dance.

Bournemouth Municipal Orch. Jiggin' Along The Highway (Samuel).

The Devout Lover (White)—Percy Heming (Baritone) with Piano.

A Fairy Ballet (White); Raindrops; Pizzicati for Strings (De La Riviere).

Bournemouth Municipal Orch. Off To Philadelphia (Haynes): Chorus, Gentlemen (Loehr) — Percy Heming (Baritone) with Piano.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—May, All Your Troubles Be Little Ones (film "She shall have music"); My First Thrill (film "She shall have music")—Jack Elyton's Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—The Birthday of the Little Princess: The Masquerade Is Over—Billy Cotton and His Band.

Crown Land Sale, P.W.D. 3 p.m. Cheero Club-Dance, 8.30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: War Work 10 a.m.; ADC Rehearsal 8 p.m.; Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.

28—H.K. Singers Annual Concert in aid of St. Dunstan's University Great Hall.

H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Mtg. 1 p.m. Y.M.C.A.: Bridge Class 10 a.m.; Badminton, 6 p.m.

H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote dine with Vice-Chancellor of H.K. University, 8 p.m.

29—H.K.R.A. Shoot, 1.45 p.m.

Chinese Youth Medical Relief Assn. Dinner and Dance, Peninsula Hotel.

Violet Capell School of Dancing Presents "Woodland Idyll," King's Theatre, 5.10 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Debate: "The War is Won by Propaganda," 8 p.m.

Lawn Bowls: H.K.'s team vs. C.S.C. C. Govt. House, 3.15 p.m.

30—St. Andrew's Day.

St. Andrew's Society Concert, F.R. Hotel: H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote dine with Chieftains; Vice-Chieftain and past Chieftains, 8 p.m.

H.K. Hotel.

H.K. Jockey Club, Half-Yearly Gen. Mtg. of Voting Members, Club House, Happy Valley, 5.30 p.m.

Central British Association Dance.

Theosophical Society: Speaker—Miss E. O'Nore: "The Philosophy of Life of Andre Maurois."

St. Andrew's Club, Open Night.

Ladies Golf: Entries close for Taggart Cup Competition.

Y.M.C.A.: A.D.C. Rehearsal, 8 p.m.

• DARK VICTORY •
AT THE KING'S TODAY

If there really was any doubt, after "Jezebel" and "The Sisters," as to just who is the greatest actress on the screen today, there can certainly be no more argument on the matter after everyone has seen—and they will—Bette Davis in her latest Warner Bros. picture, "Dark Victory," which opens at the King's Theatre today.

The new film is fully worthy of the talents of its lustrous star. It tells a love story of transcendent beauty and deeply moving poignancy and it provides a central character upon whose portrayal Miss Davis can lavish every resource of her consummate art.

Of course, while every happening in the picture revolves about the girl played by Miss Davis, the production is by no means a monologue for her. An exceptionally able supporting cast, numbering in it such luminaries as George Brent, Humphrey Bogart, Geraldine Fitzgerald, Henry Travers and Ronald Reagan, was provided by Warner Bros.

COLONY HEALTH BULLETIN

One case of small-pox from the Harbour was notified to the Health Department on Nov. 23, in addition to 2% cases of tuberculosis and two cases of dysentery.

EASTERN PORTS

The following is the Health Bulletin for Eastern Ports for the week ending Nov. 18:

Plague: Cochin 1 case.

Cholera: Allahabad 2 cases, Delhi 2, Calcutta 11, Hongkong 1, Shanghai 1.

Small-Pox: Calcutta 4, Madras 1.

Thieves took cigars, cigarettes and tobacco valued at £1,000 from a firm in Leicester-square, W. C. They apparently hid in an air raid shelter in the basement and forced the door into the shop after the premises had been locked for the night.

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THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER AT THE FRONT

Major-General the Duke of Gloucester talked and joked for three-quarters of an hour with a group of war correspondents whom he met accidentally in a roadside cafe by the Front Line.

The meeting occurred as the Duke was going about his duties as a liaison officer in a downpour of rain. The Duke and the war correspondents chatted in a tiny parlour which was reeking with tobacco smoke and steaming with the odour of wet trench-coats.

TALKED WITH BROTHER
The Duke of Gloucester revealed that he had talked with his brother, Major-General the Duke of Windsor, twice since he came to France to serve with the British Expeditionary Force.

In muddy Newmarket boots and a wet raincoat the Duke of Gloucester and his aide walked into the small cafe room, which was festooned with flypapers covered with dead flies, where our party was drinking coffee.



TIFFIN, MY BOY, TIFFIN

"Lovely smell of cooking in the club this morning. Scrambled eggs, cutlets, and that excellent curry the secretary introduced from Penang. Makes a feller's mouth water. I've half a mind to go through the lot."

"Can't you talk of anything except food? I doubt if I shall ever eat again."

"Fairly dripping with sweetness and light this morning, aren't you? Advanced case of hangover, I'll bet a couple of chips. Some of you young fellas haven't enough sense to come in out of the rain."

"That's right. Morale, you hypocrites. I suppose you never wake up with a head or a tongue like a strip of ancient gauze bag."

NAZI REPLY TO BRITAIN

"INTENSIFIED" MINE WARFARE

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 24 (Reuters)—We shall answer Britain's latest measures with intensified mine warfare," neutral correspondents in Berlin were told.

"Germany will lay mines off the British coast as she regards herself perfectly entitled to do so without a breach of the international law."

"It is true The Hague Convention forbids the laying of mines on trade routes and enemy harbours, but the British Government turned these harbours into war zones by arming cargo ships and the convoy system."

The busy French housewife bustled about the crowded parlour serving the coffee, oblivious to the identity of her distinguished visitor.

Latest Nazi "Tall Story"

GESTAPO & BRITISH SECRET SERVICE

LONDON, Nov. 24 (Reuters)

—The latest Nazi "tall story" is that the Gestapo has been communicating with the British Secret Service for the past three weeks through secret radio transmitters supplied to the Gestapo by British agents.

The Gestapo, says the story, had the British code without the British knowing it. But here's the rub of the story — the Gestapo got tired of the communications and broke off on Wednesday!

LONDON GAZETTE

WAR OFFICE, NOV. 10
REGULAR ARMY

Col. A. G. Wells, D.S.O., late R.A.M.C., retires and is retained in his app't. (Nov. 10); Col. J. S. Hughes, M.C., retires on ret. pay (Nov. 11), and is granted the hon. rank of Brig.; Lt.-Col. J. B. A. Wigmore, M.D., from R.A.M.C., to be Col. (Nov. 10), with seny. July 28, 1937.

COMMANDS AND STAFF

Lt.-Gen. J. H. Marshall-Cornwall, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., Col. Comdt. R.A., from Div. Gen., to be spec. empld. (Oct. 21); Maj.-Gen. A. Carton de Wart, V.C., C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., to a spec. app't. (Aug. 25 to Oct. 7 incl.); Col. (temp. Brig.) J. G. W. Clark, M.C., from Comdr. to be Comdr. and is granted the act. rank of Maj.-Gen. whilst so emp'd. (Nov. 1); Lt. L. F. Sheen, W.R., to be Staff Capt. (Aug. 1 to 31).

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

C.D. and A.A. Branch.—The notif. regarding Lt.-Col. H. S. Browne, D.S.O., M.C., in the Gazette of Oct. 6 is cancelled.

ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS
Maj. C. W. Knight is placed on the h.p. list on account of ill-health (Oct. 17).

**QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL
MILITARY NURSING SERVICE**
Sister Miss M. I. Geldart resigns her app't. (Nov. 1). .

MEMORANDA

Lt.-Col. E. L. Acton, M.C., emp'd. list (late E. Surrey R.), retires on ret. pay (Oct. 18), and remains emp'd. Lt.-Col. the Hon. I. M. Twisleton-Wykeham-Pilkington, M.C., emp'd. list (late R.A.), retires on ret. pay (Oct. 30), and remains emp'd.

"IT CONTINUES, IT LIVES!"

LONDON, Nov. 24 (Reuters)

—Dr. Edouard Benes declared yesterday that his country was not crushed. "It continues, it lives, it exists," he said. The present Nazi dictatorship is incomparably worse than the absolutism and militarism of the Kaiser.

"This war is the same struggle as in 1914 for principles and must end in the crushing of Hitlerism."

FIRING PRACTICE

Firing practice will be carried out between the hours of 4 p.m. and midnight today.

Firing Area 'C' will be affected. Firing practice will also be carried out between the hours of 4 p.m. and midnight tomorrow. Firing Area 'A' will be affected.

GENERAL

NEWSLETTERS

There will be a musical pro-

gramme arranged by Mr. J. R. M. Smith, at the Y.M.C.A., tomorrow.

Mr. Harold Seth, wife of the late Mr. Harold Seth, returned to the Colony yesterday.

Sir Elly Kadoorie, K.B.E., also arrived in Hongkong from the North yesterday.

Sir Frederick Maze, K.B.E., Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs, arrived in the Colony from the North yesterday.

Mr. J. Harrop, Managing Director of Messrs. Backhouse & Co., arrived in Hongkong yesterday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Harrop.

Miss J. T. C. Smalley, daughter of Dr. J. Smalley, Medical Officer-in-Charge, Kowloon Hospital, returned to the Colony yesterday.

St. Andrew's and the Y.M.C.A. will debate on "The War is Won by Propaganda" at the Y.M.C.A. on Wednesday next, Nov. 29, at 8 p.m.

Kweilin, capital of Kwangsi, will be turned into a municipality on January 1 next year, it is reliably learned.

Their Majesties the King and Queen returned to London on Wednesday after spending three days at Sandringham. (Reuters)

His Excellency the Governor will see the 14th Battery, H.K.V.D.C. shoot at Pak Sha Wan at 4.30 p.m. tomorrow.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote will dine with the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hongkong on Tuesday next, Nov. 28, at 8 p.m.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote will visit Mr. Kwan Wal-nung's exhibition of paintings at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce tomorrow at 12.30 p.m.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote will be present at the Scottish Concert to be given by the St. Andrew's Society of Hongkong at the King's Theatre on Friday next, Dec. 1, at 9.30 p.m.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote will dine with the Chieftain, Vice-Chieftain, and past Chieftains of the St. Andrew's Society of Hongkong on Friday next, Dec. 1, at 8 p.m., at the Hongkong Hotel.

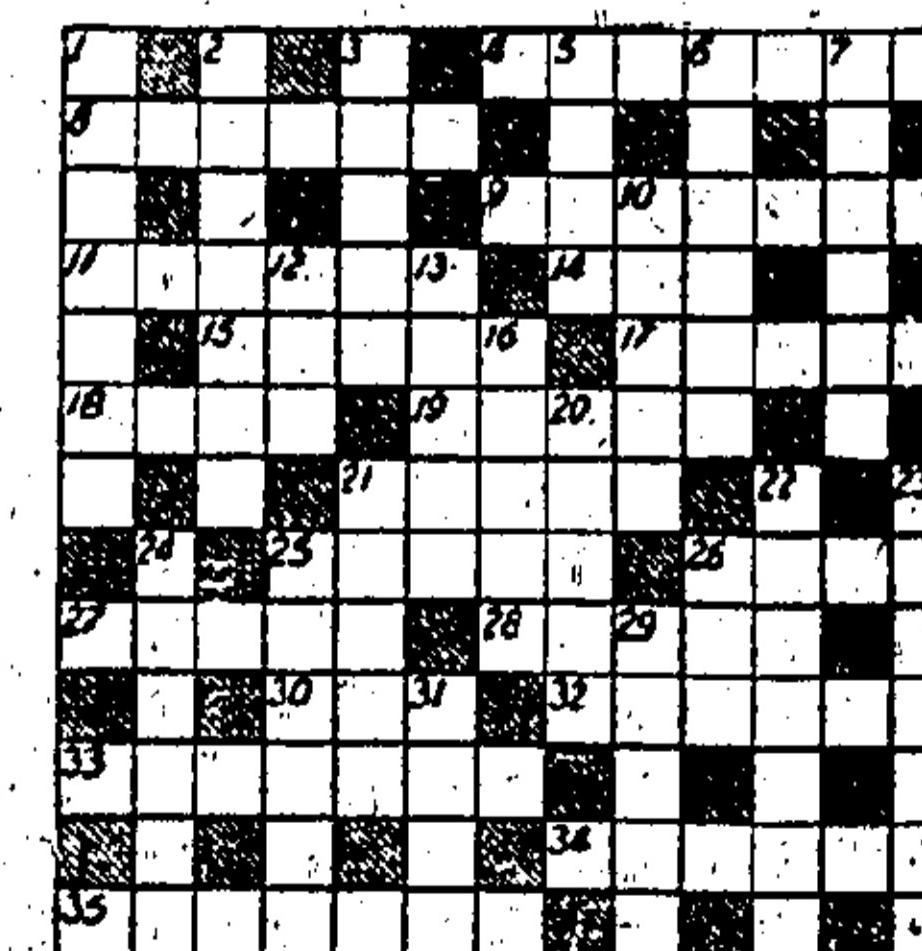
POCKET EDITION OF "MEIN KAMPF"

LONDON, Nov. 24 (Reuters)—Herr Hitler's "Mein Kampf" is learned to be published in a pocket-size edition.

In order to make it handy in size it is thought possible in London that chapters on the evils of Bolshevism may be deleted.

CROSSWORD

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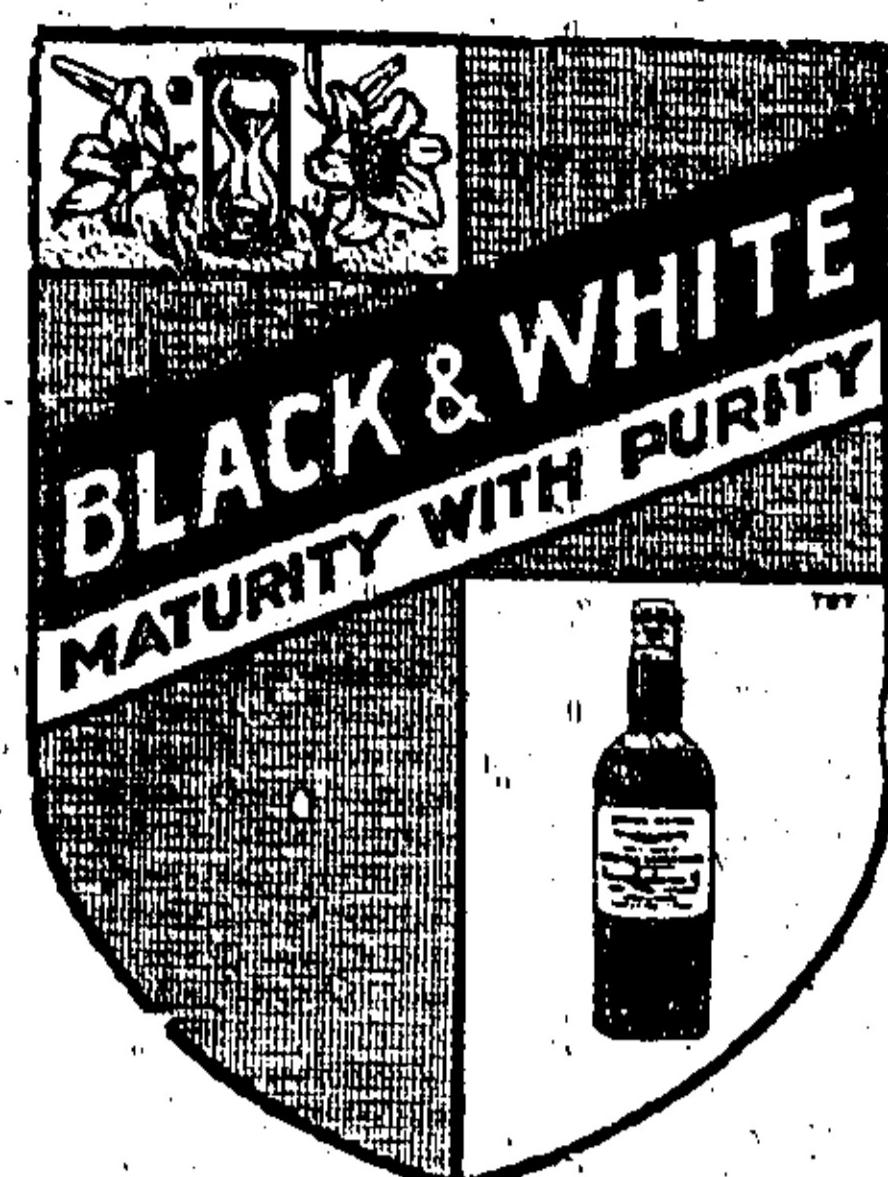
SOLUTION ON MONDAY

Solution No. 470

ACROSS: 1. Follow. 4. Defeat. 7. Endeavour. 9. Cure. 10. Rein. 11. Stout. 13. Smooth. 14. Rivets. 16. Clever. 17. Biscuit. 19. World. 20. Onus. 22. Scum. 23. Stalemate. 24. Sacred. 25. Dinner.

DOWN: 1. Frocks. 2. Lane. 3. Wreath. 4. Devour. 5. Spur. 6. Terms. 7. Erroneous. 8. Reverence. 11. Strew. 12. Timid. 15. Clowns. 16. Rolled. 17. Blamed. 18. Timber. 21. Stir. 22. Stun.

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CHARTERED BANK LOSES BIG CLAIM AGAINST LOCAL SHIPPING COMPANIES

Sequel To U. Chan-jong Forgery Case: Full Text Of Chief Justice's Finding

Judgment for both the defendant companies, with costs, was ordered by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in the Supreme Court yesterday morning, in the case in which the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China sued.

(1) the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and

(11) the Ocean Steamship Co., Ltd., (Holt's Wharf) Hongkong, for alleged wrongful conversion, or, alternatively, for breach of contract.

The action was in respect of a number of cases of piece-goods stored in the godowns of the defendant companies to the order of the plaintiffs in the name of Messrs. Torbor & Co., and arose as a result of the conviction of U. Chan-jong, principal of the latter firm.

Chan-jong, it will be remembered, was sentenced in May last to four years hard labour for obtaining goods by means of forged delivery orders.

The value of the goods stored with the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., was \$19,338.14 cents and with the Ocean Steamship Co., Ltd., (Holt's Wharf) was \$96,650.44 cents.

The Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. R. A. Wadeson, of Messrs. Deacons, was for the plaintiffs, and defendants were represented by Mr. Edson Potter, K.C., instructed by Mr. M. M. Watson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master.

THE JUDGMENT

Following is the full text of the judgment:

The Plaintiffs are bankers carrying on business in the Colony and both the Defendant companies are warehousemen with godowns in Kowloon. The Plaintiffs from time to time advanced money to business firms in England against bills of exchange drawn on and accepted by Messrs. Torbor and Company. The goods in respect of which Messrs. Torbor and Company accepted these bills were shipped to Hongkong and on arrival were stored in the godowns of one or other of the Defendant companies.

Contemporaneously with the arrival of each consignment of goods a bill of lading was received by the Plaintiffs from the consignors, together with a draft drawn by the consignors on Messrs. Torbor and Company for the value of the goods. The bill of lading and the bill of exchange were endorsed by the consignors to the order of the plaintiff.

BILL OF EXCHANGE

Messrs. Torbor and Company accepted the bill of exchange and were handed the bill of lading with the following instructions to

Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. \$16,388.14 and in the case of the Ocean Steamship Co., Ltd. \$96,650.44.

It is common ground that these forgeries were made without the knowledge and consent of any of the parties to these actions. U Chan Jong was criminally prosecuted in May 1938 for obtaining goods by means of forged delivery orders. He pleaded guilty and is now serving a long term of imprisonment.

VALUE OVER \$500

So far as the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company is concerned it is conceded by the Plaintiffs that each of the 31 cases in respect of which they claim was of a value greater than \$500 and further that in no case was such value declared at the time of application for storage. In the case of the Ocean Steamship Company 128 of the 132 packages claimed for were of an undclared value in excess of \$500. The value of the other six packages is \$2,877.64.

In these circumstances the Plaintiffs commenced proceedings against each of the Defendants claiming in each case damages for conversion or alternatively for breach of contract. Each of the Defendant joined issue with the Plaintiffs, and each further pleaded that they were protected by certain conditions embodied in their godown warrants with each of which I shall deal later in this judgment.

ESTOPPED FROM DENYING

The Defendants also plead that the Plaintiffs are estopped from denying that the packages in respect of which the claims are made were duly delivered by reason of the fact that Torbor and Company were at all material times authorised by the Plaintiffs to act as their agents for the purpose of obtaining the delivery of the packages, or, alternatively, that the Plaintiffs represented to the Defendants that Torbor and Company had such authority; that within the scope of such authority Torbor and Company produced to the Defendants forged delivery orders duly endorsed by the Plaintiffs, and so obtained delivery of the goods claimed for.

When it was desired to remove any number of cases from storage Torbor and Company typed on one of these printed forms of delivery order the lot number, marks, quantity and description of the goods required, the distinguishing numbers of the cases and the name of the ship from which the goods were landed.

DELIVERY ORDER SIGNED

They then signed the delivery order and took it to the Plaintiffs. They paid to the Plaintiffs the purchase price of the goods mentioned on the face of the delivery order and the Plaintiffs stamped on the delivery order an endorsement in the following terms:

PLEASE DELIVER TO MESSRS. TORBOR AND COMPANY OR ORDER UPON PAYMENT OF ALL CHARGES DUE TO YOU.

For the Chartered Bank of India Australia and China."

That endorsement was signed by an authorised officer of the Plaintiffs. Messrs. Torbor and Company would then present the delivery order so endorsed to the Defendants, who in reliance on such endorsement would deliver the goods mentioned on the face of the order, or, if delivery of all was not to be taken at one time would issue to Torbor and Company sub delivery orders for the balance of the goods.

HANDLING OF GOODS

By their reply the Plaintiffs plead that the Defendant Companies dealt with the goods otherwise than in accordance with the contract between the parties, and therefore cannot rely on the conditions and exceptions pleaded in the statements of defence.

Mr. D'Almada's argument for the Plaintiffs is shortly this.

The Defendants contracted with the Plaintiffs to do a thing in a certain way; they have broken their contract by not doing the thing contracted for in the way contracted for, and they cannot therefore rely on conditions intended to protect them only if they carried out the contract in the way contracted for.

The condition exempting the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company from liability for loss caused by misfeasance here, for the condition is clearly stated to apply only to the loss of cargo whilst the goods are being stored or remain on storage. The conditions must be construed contra proferentem.

CHINESE CLAUSE

The wording of the "Chinese clause" makes it clear that it is intended to apply only to cases of covenant in a lease, and the lessor was held liable for the natural result of that breach. Morrison & Co., Ltd. v. Shaw, Savill & Albion Co., Ltd. (1916) 1 K.B. p.747 was a case of deviation in a voyage by sea.

It is agreed between the parties to these actions that the value of the goods so fraudulently obtained by Torbor and Company is in the case of the Hongkong and Kow-

SHANGHAI BRIDE WEDS HERE

MR. G. B. S. THOMSON AND MISS K. SETH

The informal and quiet wedding between Miss Katherine Pilar Seth and Mr. G. B. S. Thomson in the Hongkong Union Church yesterday afternoon was attended by a small group of relatives and intimate family friends. The Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow officiated.

Miss Seth arrived from Shanghai yesterday morning, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. J. S. Seth, and an aunt, Mrs. Harold Seth. Later in the afternoon the young bride was escorted to the altar by her father. There were no bride's attendants.

The deep rose bridal frock of Miss Seth was created from beautiful lace over taffeta designed with a floor-length full skirt, high waistline and square neck bodice. A bolero, of the same material, had short puff sleeves. On her head the bride wore a shoulder length tulip veil matching the shade of the frock.

BANDEAU OF ROSETTES

A bandeau of small velvet rosettes, in various colours, held the veil in place. The elbow lace and silk gloves of light blue matched the trim of the bridal gown. Her bouquet was composed of wine coloured flowers and fern.

A reception was held in the Hongkong Hotel and later in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Thomson departed on a British liner for their honeymoon in Manila.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. S. Thomson will return to Hongkong and make their home here. Mr. Thomson being connected with the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.

plea of estoppel is concerned Mr. D'Almada argues that the true position is that there was never any authority in Torbor and Company to fill up delivery orders to a greater extent than to cover cargoes for which they had paid the Plaintiffs.

There is no evidence that Torbor and Company were held out by the Plaintiffs as having any greater authority than that. The forgeries were outside the scope of the actual authority of Torbor & Company and also outside their apparent authority. The defendants knew that the relations between the Plaintiff and Torbor & Company were those of pledge and pledgee, and there was therefore presumptive knowledge of the limitation of Torbor & Company's authority.

MANY CASES CITED

In support of his argument that the Defendants here committed a breach of contract which disentitles them from relying on the conditions limiting liability, Mr. D'Almada has cited a number of cases ranging in date from 1830 to 1937. The earliest case is Davis v. Garrett, 6 Bingham p.718.

The head note, so far as it is material, reads "Plaintiff put on board Defendant's barge lime to be conveyed from the Medway to London. The master of the barge deviated unnecessarily from the usual course, and during the deviation a tempest wetted the lime, and the barge taking fire thereby, the whole was lost. Held that the Defendant was liable."

The next case in order of date is Lilley v. Doubleday (7 Q.B.D. p.510) decided in 1881. There the Defendant contracted to warehouse certain goods for the Plaintiff at a particular place, but he warehoused a part of them at another place where, without any negligence on his part, they were destroyed.

The Court (Grove, Lindley and Stephen J.J.) held that the Defendant by his breach of contract had rendered himself liable for the loss of the goods.

DEVIATION IN VOYAGE

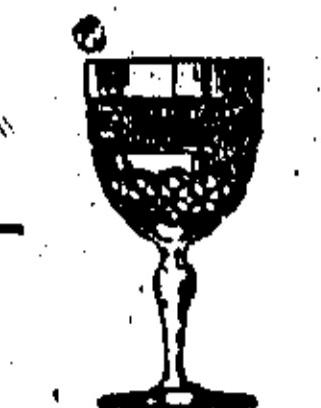
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In the course of the judgment Ballhache J. said "The effect of

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A list of the commodities which will carry the War Surcharge of 25% is given below:-

Antimony & Antimony Ore	Firecrackers
Bamboo ware	Ginger (dry)
Bamboo baskets	Hurricane lanterns
Rubber & canvas shoes	Matches
Torch cases	Mats & matting
Cotton goods	Oil (essential)
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NOTICE.

The Controller of Food would be glad to meet representatives of firms who import foodstuffs directly from the United Kingdom in the Urban Council Chamber at 2.30 p.m. on Monday, 27th November.

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St. John's Cathedral Hall

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AMERICA'S WAR BOOM

THE WAR OF 1914-18 found the United States a rapidly growing industrial state which had paid for its growth by a heavy indebtedness to foreign capital. In the course of the conflict, however, as America began to be more and more the supply base of the Allied Powers, debts were liquidated, American securities mobilized, from private strong-boxes by the British and French Governments, were dumped back on the New York market, and the United States emerged in 1918 as the strongest national economic unit on the face of the earth, the creditor of all the world.

BUT THE WAR BOOM was followed by an earthquake of adjustment to peace conditions which shook the entire structure of the country's economic life and, after an artificial revival in the 1920's, threw it back into the throes of a permanent crisis. It is no wonder that today, with industrial indices already climbing, Wall Street regards with ill-concealed excitement the prospects of a long and exhausting war in Europe.

TWO WEEKS AFTER THE OUTBREAK of the present war, says an American commentator, the paper value of American equities and commodity holdings had already risen by ten billion dollars. Industrial prices rose by thirty per cent. Production jumped twenty per cent. Steel production was double that of a year ago. Car loadings reached an eight-year high and machine-tool orders were "the heaviest in history." Although wages did not show any significant rise, the cost of living, prompted by commodity speculation, shot up sharply.

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China's Contributions To English Gardens

Interesting Talk By Prof. G. A. C. Herklots

An interesting paper entitled, "China's Contributions to English Gardens," was delivered by Prof. G. A. C. Herklots at a meeting of the Sino-British Cultural Association at the Fung Ping-shan Library of the Hongkong University yesterday evening.

The attendance was encouraging, and demonstrates the increasing interest taken in the activities of the Association.

EXHIBITION BY CHINESE ARTIST

The Yee Fung Benevolent Society is organising its first membership drive under the leadership of Mr. Tam Chun and Mr. Lam Pui-sang, Advisor.

Mr. Tang Yin-lee, leader of the Yee Fung Division, has, with the permission of Mr. Kwan Wai-hung, the noted artist and proprietor of the Asia Lithograph Co., arranged for an exhibition of Mr. Kwan's works at the library of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce today to Monday. A nominal admission fee of 10 cents will be charged all of which will go to the Society's Free School Fund.

Professor Hsu Ti-shan has kindly consented to open the exhibition and later to lecture on the "Evolution of the Chinese Dress."

The exhibition will comprise a hundred of Mr. Kwan's works, especially as a portrait artist of female models, never before publicly exhibited. A further innovation is that each picture will be annotated with poetical phrases by Mr. Chan Pa-fung.

Incidentally, Mr. Kwan is the first artist to use Chinese paper and colour to depict foreign scenes (a book has already been published) and it is hoped that the time may come when world artists will look to China to supply them with paper and colours.

SOLDIERS SERVICE CORPS MEET

The National Y.M.C.A. of the Soldiers Service Corps held a meeting yesterday at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. when the Rev. Li Kau-yan presided.

The Chairman introduced the speaker, Mr. Tang Kam-fel, Head of the War Service Unit, who gave an account of his work during the last ten months in Kwangtung.

goaded to early activity by, among other things, the uneasy proximity of Canada, a country much stronger industrially than in 1914, which threatened with every moment to absorb a greater share of war orders. As a result of all these causes, the economy of the United States, despite the slow development of the military situation in Europe, is becoming keyed more and more completely to the conditions of a new world war.

IF THE WAR IS A LONG ONE, exhausting Europe as the last war exhausted her, American business can hope for a period of stormy accumulation of profits. Payment for American supplies will, as before, be made largely in securities. But this time, not only holdings of United States stocks but also British holdings in Argentine railways and South and Central American oil may be expected to come under the hammer. This will result in the final attainment by Wall Street of undisputed supremacy in the Western Hemisphere. At the same time, American export industries will make a decided bid for renewed penetration of many markets now supplied by Europe which, after being once conquered during the last war, were relinquished to the flow of cheap competitive goods from Europe in the years of reconstruction.

SUCH ARE THE FRUITS that beckon to American business today, fruits for which it is reaching eagerly despite the penalties ahead, penalties with which the history of the last twenty-five years has acquainted both America and the world only too well.

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CHARTERED BANK LOSE BIG CLAIM

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deviation is to displace the contract of carriage during and after deviation ab initio. From the point of deviation, at any rate, the shipowner becomes at best a common carrier. When a ship deviates and loss of, or damage to, cargo occurs either by act of God or, as here, by the King's enemies, it is not open to her owners to set up either exception.

These exceptions apply, and apply only to a carrier who is performing his contract, and never to a carrier who is breaking it.

That case went to the Court of Appeal (1916) 2 K. B. p.783. In that Court Swinfen Eady L. J. said if they, as carriers, were duly performing their contract of carriage they would not be liable for loss occasioned by the King's enemies. But they are breaking their contract."

LOSS OF BICYCLE

In Gibaud v. Great Eastern Railway Company (1921) 2 K. B. p.428 the plaintiff claimed damages for the loss of a bicycle deposited by him with the defendants. The bicycle was not put by the defendants' servants in the cloakroom but was left in the booking hall without protection, and, owing to this negligence, was stolen.

The Court held that the defendants were protected by a condition excluding liability though the bicycle had not been deposited in the cloak-room.

Mr. D'Almada relies on the judgment of Lord Sterndale M. R. at p.431.

"The plaintiff's contention is that this condition does not apply at all, because the contract of bailment was to keep in the cloakroom, and if the article were kept somewhere else then the plaintiff contends that no condition can apply at all, because there was a breach of the contract of bailment. With the principle that's stated there was no garden worthy of the name throughout the length and breadth of the temperate parts of the northern hemisphere that did not contain a few plants of Chinese origin.

Prof. Herklots also spoke of the plants of Yunnan and Kwangtung, and the species which were to be found in Hongkong. These included the ilium brownii, the magnificent wild lily, the nun orchid and other orchids and the gardenia jasminoides.

Among the number of plants actually introduced into England from Hongkong, were the iris spectatrix, a species of camellia and various shrubs.

Mr. P. S. Cassidy thanked the speaker

NEXT MEETING

The next public meeting sponsored by the Association will be held on December 22 when Mr. P. E. Witham will speak on Tea. On December 8, a garden party for members will be held at the Vice-Chancellor's Lodge, Hongkong University.

LARCENY CHARGE AGAINST P.C.

DISMISSED

Mr. T. J. Houston, at the Central Court yesterday, dismissed a charge of larceny of \$12 preferred against Police Constable Li Yee-tin.

The prosecution alleged that after Li had searched Tse, the complainant, the latter discovered the money had disappeared.

Defendant, in evidence yesterday, denied having searched complainant.

In dismissing the case against the defendant for lack of corroborative evidence, the Magistrate ordered a sum of \$12 to be given to complainant from the Poor Box.

Inspector W. Mai prosecuted while Mr. H. A. de Barros Botelho defended Li.

SHUMCHUN RURAL WELFARE CENTRE

The Shumchun Rural Welfare Centre wishes to acknowledge receipt of the following donations:-

Bank of Communications per Mr. Y. M. Chien \$100, Bank of Canton, Ltd., per Mr. M. Y. Tang \$100, Mr. Manners \$10, Mr. Peter Shi \$10, Mr. Mak Man Sang \$10, Mr. Lambert Gockchin \$15, Mr. T. W. Li \$10, Mr. Eugene Penn \$10, Mr. Li Shu Fun \$10, Dr. Arthur W. Woo \$10, Mr. O. K. Yui \$10, 10 tons of fertiliser from the Organo Fertiliser Co.

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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1939.

Hello & Goodbye

(BY A. W. HYER)

During the past two days several hundred people arrived in various travel transports inquiring about our "freak" typhoon and anxious to spend their hours in shops and hotels or sightseeing.

Quite a number of people took passage on the air transports leaving Hongkong. In fact, all this travel activity belies the rumours that people are not travelling or spending their money during these war days.

We report, from first hand observation, that the majority of transports in and out of Hongkong are well filled with passengers.

Imperial Airways delayed Thursday, service will be arriving on Sunday afternoon at Kai Tak from Bangkok, with passengers, and mail from all Empire ports. No reason has been given by the Company's officials for the delay which is being caused by the late connexion in the south of the Empire main line service.

Pan American Airways

THURSDAY'S WEATHER delayed the Philippine Clipper's departure for San Francisco by 24 hours. The flying-boat was away at 8.30 a.m. on Friday for Manila and the home port.

Mr. W. D. Pawley has gone again. The President of Inter-continent Corporation is off on another business excursion to his New York City office. This flight across the Pacific puts the flying American businessman man as the winner in trans-Pacific air crossings with departures from Hongkong; five is his record, if we are not mistaken.

Journey to Manila were Mr. V. A. Kropff, Division Traffic Manager of Pan American Airways, and Mr. S. D. Brothers, an official of the airline in Manila. Both of these gentleman have been inspecting the local office and conditions in Hongkong. They were not satisfied.

Lieut. and Mrs. C. H. Whitesell, U.S.A., were returning to their home and duties in Manila. These army people have been on holiday in Hongkong during the past week.

Air France

THE WEATHER CONDITIONS ON

Thursday also kept the French aviators down on the ground and made their departure late by a day. On Friday at 9.30 a.m. they were off for Hanoi and France with a full load of passengers.

Mr. P. Gannay, executive of the French Bank and a recent arrival in Hongkong on a short business call, left for Hanoi on the French line this time. He sampled Imperial Airways on his northward journey.

Pairs-bound was the well-known Madame J. Bredian, wife of the Director-General, Municipalité Francaise in Shanghai. Unfortunately, we did not have the opportunity of an interview with this visitor who was given a gay send-off from many friends at the airport.

Mr. A. P. de Champeaux, another executive connected with the French Bank, was en route to Hanoi.

Business called Mr. E. F. Koch, Standard Vacuum Oil Co.'s marketing manager of the South China division, to Saigon. He was in a hurry and Air France was the quickest way.

Mr. C. S. Lafferty, Mr. S. E. Lavrov and Mr. H. S. Sween were other businessmen in a hurry and heading for various destinations in North China and Indo-China. There were also two Chinese passengers.

Mail totalled 15 kilos.

Dutch Line Traffic

THE BIG AND COMFORTABLE

Dutch motorship had a tale to tell when she arrived in the harbour a day late owing to the typhoon weather between here and Manila. From appearance of the vessel you would not believe that this new motorship met and successfully "rode-out" two typhoons in the past 48 hours, but passengers and crew testify to a hectic trip during which few of them could walk or move about.

Mrs. E. Leyden, and her two young sons, have indeed had a trying voyage from London. This resident of the Colony and her two sons were passengers on the Sirdhana when it struck a mine and sank in the Singapore roads. They also experienced the storms which the Dutch steamer encountered.

A group of young men, connected with the Cable & Wireless Co., arriving from England to take over work here, due to the increased business and censor activities were

also on the Sirdhana when the steamer met her fate in the Singapore mines waters. They are Messrs. A. W. Lamb, P. W. Liddell, W. R. J. Lowndess, W. N. Powell, J. B. Rymer, C. W. Bath, C. T. Bailey, C. W. O. Collins, and J. M. W. Dave.

Mr. H. F. Williams, executive of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., returned to the Colony on the Dutch motorship from business conference in Singapore.

Mr. Hazura Singh, accompanied by seven members of his family, was in a distressed state on his arrival from Singapore. This gentleman and resident of India had been travelling on the Sirdhana. Having difficulties with his large family in seeing them rescued, he unfortunately lost two members in the confusion when the vessel was sailing.

Sailing Via The Empress

LATE IN THE EVENING the Empress sailed from our harbour carrying Dr. H. F. Smith back to his duties as Port Health Officer in Manila. The doctor's visits here are always enjoyed by many of his friends. He was bid adios in fine style!

There was a bridal couple traveling south on a honeymoon. Mr. and Mrs. G. B. S. Thomson, of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd. The bride arrived from Shanghai in the morning, said "I do" in the afternoon, and was away for the south in the evening.

Mr. V. Madrigal, accompanied by his daughter Miss P. Madrigal, were returning home to Manila after a short visit in Hongkong. The other two attractive daughters of the well-known southern resident will remain a little longer in the Colony.

"Empress" Arrivals

THE CANADIAN LINER which called here recently was certainly overflowing with passengers.

No one can mistake Sir Frederic Maze, K.B.E., Inspector-General of Customs in Shanghai. This distinguished gentleman is on a business call from the North.

And Sir Elly Kadoorie is a well-known person to all Hongkong residents. This prominent and elderly gentleman was cordially welcomed by members of his family on his arrival from Shanghai. He appears well indeed and looks forward to an enjoyable visit in Hongkong of a month or so.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Dunbar are back in town. There

British Reprisals Against Nazi Mine Warfare Regarded As Being Obnoxious To Holland

Netherlands Government Makes Representations

THE HAGUE, Nov. 24 (Reuter)—The Netherlands Government has made representations to the British Government against the trade reprisals planned in retaliation to the German mine campaign.

The Netherlands Minister told the British Foreign Office that the proposed measures were particularly harmful to neutrals, whether as receivers or transporters of German goods.

The reprisals, he said, were especially obnoxious to Holland, because they are stated to have been inspired by the recent shipping disasters, of which the sinking of the Simon Bolivar was by far the most important.

LONDON, Nov. 24 (Reuter)—With reference to the Dutch Government's criticisms regarding British Contraband Control, Reuter learns from an authoritative source that the Contraband service is working with all possible speed.

The British Government is quite anxious as neutrals to avoid delays and although the machinery is working quite smoothly, it could be accelerated if shippers would help by taking elementary precautions, such as ensuring that manifests arrive before cargoes.

BELIGERENT RIGHTS

The same source points out that Britain must, of course, insist on her belligerent rights to take all measures to ensure that goods shall not reach Germany.

Regarding the statement that Holland may consider stopping exports to this country, it is stated that this will probably hurt Holland more than Great Britain. If Dutch supplies to this country are stopped, measures would be taken to obtain goods from other sources.

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ANNUAL DANCE OF HONGKONG REEL CLUB.

The annual dance of the Hongkong Reel Club was held at the Peninsula Hotel last night, there being a large attendance of members and their guests.

Among those present were the President of the Hongkong Reel Club, Mr. D. L. Prophet and Mrs. Prophet; the Chieftain of St. Andrew's Society, Dr. G. D. R. Black, with Mrs. Black and Miss Black; the Vice-President of the Hongkong Reel Club, Mr. J. F. Macgregor, and Mrs. Macgregor, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Bryden, Mr. J. Moodie, Miss Sheila Basket, and many others.

TWO EXHIBITIONS

There were two exhibition dances, the Broadswords, the participants being Mrs. Prophet, Miss Henderson, Mrs. Way and Miss D. Digby, and the Highland Fling, the participants being Mrs. Prophet, Miss Henderson, Mrs. Way, Miss D. Digby, Miss H. Cuthill and Miss R. Stalker.

Pipe-Major Mackie piped the Caledonians, the Highland Scotians, and the other Scottish Dances. The dance music was by the band of the Peninsula Hotel.

FUNERAL OF MR. T. TUCKER

Sudden Death Of Prison Officer

The funeral took place at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday of Mr. Thomas Tucker, Assistant Principal Warden at Stanley Gaol, who died suddenly at Stanley on Wednesday night. The Rev. A. P. Rose officiated at the graveside.

The late Mr. Tucker is survived by his widow and a daughter, to whom much sympathy will be extended.

Present to pay their last respects were Major J. L. Wilcock, D.S.O., Commissioner of Prisons, Mr. J. W. Fitz Gerald, Superintendent, Mr. A. Pearce, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. J. W. Hudson, Chief Warden, Mr. A. Dedeck, Assistant Chief Warden, Dr. A. H. Barwell, Mr. V. H. Freeman, Mr. F. Anslow, Mr. A. J. Manton and the deceased's European and Indian colleagues.

Many wreaths were sent.

ARK ROYAL'S MIRACULOUS ESCAPE: THE "REAL STORY" OF SEPT. 26 BOMBING

HEELED OVER AND RIGHTED HERSELF

NEW YORK, Nov. 24 (Reuter)—The "real story" of the escape of the Ark Royal, when a 500-pound bomb from a German plane exploded near the ship on Sept. 26, was told to the Overseas Press Club by Sir Derwent Hall-Caine, M.P.

He said that the Ark Royal heeled over until one side of the flying deck was awash, but miraculously returned to an even keel.

OFFICER'S STORY

Sir Derwent Hall-Caine based his version of the bombing on information which, he said, he received from an unnamed officer of the Ark Royal, whom he quoted as saying that the aircraft-carrier was steaming with four other ships, escorting a disabled submarine to port when six Heinkel bombers attacked them.

The officer said: "The planes dropped bombs all around us, but they all fell wide and our anti-aircraft fire got hot for them, so they turned and went back."

500-POUND BOMB

"Then I saw one of the machines turn again towards the stern of the ship. When just over the deck, the pilot dropped a 500-pound bomb which fell into the water only a few feet from the ship."

"The ship heeled over and the portside flying deck went awash. Then a miracle happened and the Ark Royal righted herself and returned to an even keel."

The German airman, when he saw the Ark Royal go over apparently thought he had sunk the aircraft-carrier.

Figures given by the Home Secretary in a Parliamentary answer of the indictable offences known to the Metropolitan Police show there has been less crime in London in a blackout than formerly. The total for September and October were 12,283 compared with 16,023 in the same period last year.—(B.W.S.)

VOLUNTEER TRAINING CAMPS

Owing to the recent typhoon those units of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps who were to have gone into camp at D'Aguilar yesterday will now be required to go today instead.

They will report at Volunteer Headquarters this morning at 9 a.m. (1st Battery and No. 6 Company).

The arrangements for camp at Pak Sha Wan are altered.

CHINA WAR NEWS

Continued from Page 1 were active over South Kwangtung yesterday.

When one country at war adopts illegal measures, the other side may also adopt such measures, which, though illegal, are necessary to stop the original illegal acts.

If the Germans used mines in the way they have been, the Allies were entitled to take action which would otherwise be illegal. It is incidentally just as illegal to sink Allied shipping in the way the Nazis have been doing.

WAR CONDITIONS

Under normal war conditions, a country is entitled to seize enemy ships and enemy goods on enemy and its own ships and also to seize contraband of war.

This international law, however, does not permit the seizure of other enemy goods on neutral ships and does not include exports from an enemy country. But Germany, having violated international law, Britain and France were using their rights to suspend this provision. Similar measures were taken in the last war.

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CATHOLIC NEWS & NOTES

END OF THE LITURGICAL YEAR: SAINT ANDREW: ENGINEERING PROBLEM IS SOLVED BY MISSION RECORD: WITH THE SERVICES

THE COMING WEEK IS THE CHURCH'S YEAR. The liturgical cycle then ends — this means that the series of feasts which are spread over the year in a logical order is now finished, and we are ready to begin over again with Advent and Christmas.

This celebration of the liturgical year had its beginning in the fourth century, when the multiplication of feasts in honour of the events of Christ's life began.

Its real origin, however, goes back to the time of the apostles, when Sunday was set aside as the Christian day of prayer and rest, and the Resurrection was commemorated.

ST. ANDREW

After the establishment of the Easter festival the next feast of which there is record in early times is Pentecost, which was well established by the third century. Then came the Nativities and the feasts followed in due course.

WITH THE SERVICES

News from England now tells constantly of people being in the army and the other fighting services who seemed very far remote from fighting. Many Catholics conspicuous in one way or another are among them. For example, the husband of the well-known film star, Maureen O'Sullivan, is one. As John Farrow, he became well known a few years ago for his striking book "Damien the Leper," and he was, in his capacity of film director, engaged in making it into a film. He is an Australian, Sydney born, and before the war was in the Naval Reserve. Maureen O'Sullivan's brother is also in the army, an officer in the King's Own Royal Regiment. A military career is natural to him, as his father was Major in the Connaught Rangers. The war upset Maureen's plans, for she had just crossed to England to be leading lady to Robert Montgomery in "Busman's Honeymoon" when the war broke out. She returned at once to the United States by ship, for she had left her infant son behind.

Another one whose name comes to hand is an Irish jockey, well known on English racecourses and now with a Welsh anti-aircraft unit.

This is Danny Morgan, the steeplechase jockey, who was, as he says, brought up in the saddle, for he rode with the hunt in his native Co. Waterford before he was old enough to go to school. He has been riding in England since 1934, and rode "Marconi," the first horse to run in the name and colours of King Edward VIII. Three years ago he won the Welsh Grand National. He is a brother of Tommy Morgan, the trainer, cousin of Fr. John Caulfield, the Pinner P.P., the priest known to everyone prominently connected with the turf in England.

ENGINEERING PROBLEM

Three times since 1906, attempts to build a railway across the Andes to link Eastern Peru with the Pacific have failed, because no pass could be found which was really passable. Two years ago, research workers who were specially appointed to search the old missionary records in the hope of finding a solution, discovered a reference to a pass found in 1757 by a Franciscan, Fr. Alonso Abad.

Trusting to the accuracy of the Friar's report, the Public Works Administrator sent an expedition in search of the pass. It was rediscovered and was found to be only 1800 ft. above sea level — 4400 feet lower than any other known pass — and not more than two miles long. Thanks to "Abad's Pass" as the place has now been called,

ROSARY CHURCH

The following are the forthcoming Services etc.:

26th Sunday after Pentecost.

At 6.30 Mass with sermon in Chinese. 7.30 Mass with sermon in English. 8.30 Mass with sermon in Portuguese. 9.30 Mass with sermon in English, followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

At 2 p.m. Catechetical Instruction in Chinese.

At 2.30 p.m. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Tuesday, Meeting of the C.C.Y.L.A. at 5.30 p.m. Wednesday, Meeting of the C.C.Y.M.S. at 5.30 p.m. Meeting of the Ladies-promoters of the A. of P. at 6 p.m.

Thursday, Meeting of the Association under the Protection of Our Lady of Sorrows at 11 a.m. Holy Hour with sermon in English from 6 to 7 p.m. Friday, Devotion of the First Friday of the Month in honour of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Low Mass at 5.45 and 6.30 a.m. Choral Mass with General Communion followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, at 7.30 a.m. On weekdays, Mass at 6.30 and 7.30 a.m.

On Sunday, at St. Paul's Chapel (186 Portland Street, Mong Kok): At 6 a.m. Mass with sermon in Chinese. At 8 p.m. Evening Prayers, Sermon in Chinese and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

The L.C.A. is holding a Mahjongg Party on Friday, Dec. 8.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

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First Mass and General Communion at 8 a.m. Second Mass at 10 a.m., followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Sunday School for Children at 11 a.m. December: First Friday, Holy Mass and General Communion at 8 a.m. On week days, Holy Mass at 8 a.m. Confessions are heard every day, before and after Mass. On Saturdays, the Special time for Confessions is from 4.30 to 6 p.m.

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Sunday.

Preacher, Morning and Evening — Rev. Donald B. Childs, Chairman of the South China District.

Juniper Church 9.30 a.m. All children welcome. Morning Service 10.15 a.m. Hymn No. 924, Prayer, Hymn No. 727, 1st Lesson, Hymn No. 698, 2nd Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Hymn No. 895, Sermon, Hymn No. 688, Benediction. Evening Service 7 p.m. Hymn No. 399, Prayer, Hymn No. 711, Lesson, Prayer, Notices, Hymn No. 717, Sermon, Hymn No. 349, Benediction.

NOTICES

Following the Evening Service a Social Hour will be held at S. & S. Home 8.15 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians will be warmly welcomed. Continuing the Chapel Anniversary a meeting will be held at S. & S. Home on Monday 8.30 p.m. when the Rev. J.E. Sandbach will lecture on "Life and Experiences in South West China." This is to be preceded by a Supper at 7.30 p.m. for which the charge is \$1. The General Committee is meeting at S. & S. Home on Wednesday 5.30 p.m. In view of Monday's meeting the Badminton Club will meet on Thursday only, 7 p.m.

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ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S

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ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

Nov. 26, 1939—Advent Sunday.

8 a.m. Holy Communion, Holy Communion in Peak Church, 11 a.m. Mattins. Preacher: Rev. A. P. Rose. 6.30 p.m. Evensong and Confirmation Service.

Children's Services—Cathedral 10 a.m. Kindergarten and Children's Service. Chapel of the Resurrection, Happy Valley, 10 a.m. Kindergarten and Sunday School; Stanley Sunday School Room, 10 a.m. Kindergarten and Sunday School.

Weekdays:—Holy Communion is celebrated on Thursday at 7.30 a.m., Friday at 7.45 a.m. (in Cantonese). Wednesday, Prayer for the sick, at 10.15 a.m.

Other Notices: Nov. 29, 10-12.30 p.m. Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall; 4 p.m. Choir Practice (Boys), Cathedral Hall; 8 p.m. Badminton, Cathedral Hall. Nov. 30, 3.30 p.m. Cathedral Women's Fellowship Working Party, Cathedral Hall; 5.30 p.m. Cathedral Scouts Meeting, Bishop's House, Lower Albert Rd. Dec. 1, 5.30 p.m. Choir Practice, Cathedral.

Before every service a book is placed in the Porch at the West Door. Newcomers to our Cathedral are asked to write their names and addresses in this book. It is very difficult for the clergy and officers of the Cathedral to know members of the congregation without this co-operation.

EMMANUEL MISSION CHURCH

Sunday, 10 a.m. Service of Holy Communion. 11 a.m. Morning Service Preacher Mr. W. Becker. Subject "Why God became Man." Scripture Reading, Romans 16: 1/18. 3 p.m. Sunday School and Bible Classes, 7.30 Song Service conducted by Mrs. Roberts & Mr. Mcleod, 8 Evening Service. Preacher, Rev. C.C. Fowler. Monday 7.45 p.m. S.A.C.A. Blackboard Meeting, 8 Bible Study Circle at 792, Nathan Road, 1st floor. Tuesday 2.30 p.m. Meeting for Chinese smashed, Wednesday 8 p.m. Praise & Prayer Meeting. Thursday 10.30 a.m. Women's Bible Study Circle at 216 Nathan Road, 1st floor. Friday 8 p.m. Bible Study Circle at 3, Ho Man Tin Street, Top floor. All are welcome. No collection Sunday evening.

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

The following are the forthcoming services at the Catholic Cathedral, Calne Road:

Nov. 26—Last Sunday after Pentecost.

Morning services: 1st Mass at 6 with sermon in Chinese, 2nd Mass at 8 with sermon in English, 3rd Mass at 10 with sermon in English. Evening services: at 3.30 p.m. Catechetical Instruction, at 4 exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Holy Rosary and Benediction.

Nov. 27—A special Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 7.30 for the late MA HSIAO PEH, the great Chinese Scholar, a devout Catholic, Founder of the University of Aurora and that of Fu-tan.

Nov. 30—St. Andrew Apostle, Eve of the 1st Friday, Holy Hour from 5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

Dec. 1—First Friday of the month; At 7 o'clock Mass, General Communion in honour of the Sacred Heart; Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 5.30 p.m.

QUALIFICATION—RANGE-TAKERS

The aftermentioned have passed on an examination of Range-takers held at Scandal Point on the date shown:—

2nd Battery: Gns. O. Orr, I. H. C. Hight, E. P. Streetfield, and H. Foy. 20.11.39.

QUALIFICATION—SEARCH-LIGHT OPERATORS

The following qualified at an examination of Searchlight Operators held at Wellington Barracks on 25.10.39.

3rd Battery: L/Bdr. H. K. Chan, Gns. P. N. Pun, K. L. Kwok, H. K. Chey and K. H. Chan.

PARADES

2nd battery

Layers' Class: Nov. 26, Scandal Point, 9 a.m. 1 D.R.F. Detachment as detailed by B.S.M.

Layers' & A.A.M.G. Classes: Nov. 27, Scandal Point, 5.30 p.m. D.R.F. Detachment (5).

Right Section: Nov. 28, Scandal Point, 5.30 p.m. No. 2 Detachment, Gun drill. Nov. 29, Scandal Point, 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Detachment, Gun drill.

Left Section: Nov. 29, Scandal Point, 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Detachment, Gun drill. Dec. 1, Scandal Point, 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Detachment, Gun drill.

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Dress for Above Parades: S.D. caps and Overalls.

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LESSON SERMON

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONGKONG

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches tomorrow will be "Ancient and Modern Necromancy, alias Mesmerism and Hypnotism. Denounced."

The Golden Text will be:—"Whom shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and unto fortunetellers that mutter; should not a people seek unto their God?" (Isa. 8:17)

ANNOUNCEMENT

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong (a Branch of the Mother Church). The First Church of Christ, Scientist in Boston, Mass. No. 31 Macdonald Road, close to Peak Tram Station, Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. Sunday School 10 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 6 p.m. A Reading Room is located in the Church Building and is open every morning (except Sunday) from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and on Tuesday and Friday evenings from 5.30 p.m. to 7 p.m. All authorized Christian Science literature is available at the Reading Room. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and to visit the Reading Room.

CHRIST CHURCH

KOWLOON TONG

CHORAL EUCHARIST

Nov. 26—Sunday next before Advent.

7.15 a.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Children's Mattins; (No Senior Sunday School), the children will attend this service. Adults and parents are also asked to attend this service; 6 p.m. Evansong and Sermon. Preacher:

The Vicar. Subject "The Life of Christ; (2) Birth and early ministry"; Sunday School, Kindergarten only at 3 Duke St. at 8 a.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 29—Wolf Cubs meet at 3 Duke St. at 4.30 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 30—S. Andrew's Apostle, Holy Communion at 7.15 a.m. Women's Fellowship, 3 p.m. Speaker: Rev. A. R. Rose. Subject: "Dreams." Boy Scouts, 6 p.m. St. Andrew's Club "Open" night 8.30 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 1—Choir Practice at 6 p.m.

VOLUNTEER ORDERS

ORDERS BY LT.-COL. H. B. ROSE, M.C., COMMANDANT, HONGKONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

QUALIFICATION—CROSSLEY ENGINES

The aftermentioned personnel have passed out on Crossley Engines with effect from the dates shown:—

1st Battery: Bdr. J. S. Greenberg, Gns. H. W. Buckingham, B. Pasco, A. Zaitzeff and R. Engelbrecht, 8.11.39; Gns. B. Lipkovsky, C. Voronoff, C. R. Carr, Sgt. L. Jack and B.Q.M.S. J. G. Hooper, 15.11.39.

3rd Battery: Gns. Y. K. Pun, H. K. Chan, H. K. Choi and L. K. Ho, 17.11.39.

QUALIFICATION—H.C.D. LAMPS AND MOBILE ENGINES

The aftermentioned have passed out on H.C.D. Lamps and Mobile Engines with effect from the dates shown:—

1st Battery: B.Q.M.S. J. G. Hooper, Gnr. J. R. Carr, Gnr. B. Lipkovsky, 11.10.39; Gns. C. Voronoff, B. Pasco, H. W. Buckingham, J. S. Greenberg, A. Zaitzeff, R. Engelbrecht and Sgt. L. Jack, 15.11.39.

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Finance and Commerce

IMPORTS OF FOODSTUFFS FROM U.K.

PERMITS REQUIRED FOR SUPPLIES

Instructions have been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies regarding the export of foodstuffs from the United Kingdom.

As is well known, certain essential foodstuffs are now completely controlled in the United Kingdom by the Ministry of Food, while the export from the United Kingdom of practically everything, including foodstuffs, is not allowed, except under an export permit granted by the Export Licensing Department.

Importers in Hongkong will therefore not be able to get further supplies of foodstuffs from the United Kingdom unless their orders have been approved by Government.

CONFERENCE CALLED

This Government has been instructed to supply the Secretary of State for the Colonies with an estimate of the essential minimum requirements of Hongkong and in order to do so, the Controller of Food invites all direct importers of foodstuffs from the United Kingdom to furnish him with full particulars of their normal importations from the United Kingdom.

In the advertisement columns

BIG DEFENCE WORK CONTRACTS

CANBERRA—Contracts for defence works and supplies involving expenditure of more than £380,000 were announced by the Commonwealth Government.

The cost is the greatest in any weekly list since the outbreak of war. It includes £198,000 for works and £184,000 for equipment and supplies.

Secret defence works in Sydney are to cost £39,400 and two contracts at Ingleburn Camp, New South Wales, will involve £54,983 and £47,057.

OTHER WORKS

Other large works contracts are:—Erection of new aircraft store at Laverton, R.A.A.F. depot; £22,031. Supply of 50 camp huts; £4750. Works at Broadmeadows camp; £3549.

Darwin, barracks; £4857. Belmore, New South Wales, drill hall; £7459.

Works at explosives factory, Maribyrnong; £2070.

The principal contract let by the Department of Supply is for the provision of turret lathes for aircraft construction at a cost of £26,682.

Other large contracts are copper wire bars for ammunition factory, £6495; cotton canvas for munitions supply laboratory, £6562; grenades for explosives factory, £8622; aviation suits, £3685.

There appears a notice calling importers to a conference with the Controller of Food.

EXPANDING VALUE OF TRANSFERS

The manufacture of transfers for use in many different branches of application has been constantly growing, and, considering the matter in the light of present conditions, it appears quite clear that transfers will be even more widely employed than ever in certain spheres.

This is particularly true of what might be called industrial transfers, whereby there has been evolved systems of handlettering and sign-writing, but also offers to replace a scientific transfer process which not only supplants laborious and sign-writing, but also offers to replace the affixing of metal plates.

This type of transfer has been perfected by Texan Transfers, Ltd., whose Transflex transfers have thoroughly established themselves, and are now employed by a large number of famous firms. Indeed, there appears to be no branch of trade or industry in which the Transflex system cannot be adopted to give excellent results with only a small expenditure of time, labour and money.

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BRITISH SUPPORT FOR REFUGEE INDUSTRIES

LONDON, Nov. 24 (Reuters)—The Government is to give full support to the committee in charge of refugee industries.

Factories will be set up in Britain to manufacture products formerly produced in the refugee's own or other countries, and it is hoped they will be able to supply their former markets.

Alternatively, refugees may be introduced to British firms willing to produce types of goods not made in Britain.

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

The week's trading can be summed up very briefly. It has been one of the poorest on record. Capital still wears its thinking cap and gives no particular signs of the trend of its thoughts.

BUSINESS DONE DURING THE WEEK

H.K. Bank, \$1320. Union Ins., \$380, \$390. Docks, \$183, \$18.80. Tramways, \$153. China Lights (O), \$74, \$7.70. China Lights (N), \$47.00. Electrics, \$50. Telephones (N), \$7. Dairy Farms (C), \$191. Watsons, \$8.

H.K. Mines, 4 cents. Government 4% loan 100.

BUYERS

H.K. Fires Inc., \$180. Star Ferries, \$612. Yaumati Ferries, \$221. Electrics, \$50. Telephones (O), \$20.85. Entertainments, \$6.

SELLERS

H.K. Fires Inc., \$190. SALES H.K. Fires Inc., \$185. Wharves, \$1014. Docks, \$18.80. Watsons, \$8.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume Of Business Transacted on Friday, Nov. 24, 1939.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loans 97% 96% 94%
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan 97% 96% 94%
H.K. Wing On 91% 90% 89%
Shui Wing On 84% 83% 82%
Video Piling 84% 83% 82%
Maraman Inv. (Lam.) 84% 83% 82%
Maraman Inv. (H.K.) 84% 83% 82%
Wm. Powells 84% 83% 82%
Sales to Shanghai 84% 83% 82%
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U.S. Engines For Imperial Airways

WHY NOT GIVE SOME TO H.K.?

LONDON, Nov.—The first consignment to be shipped from the United States to England since the embargo on war materials was listed as equipment for Imperial Airways, now on its way across the Atlantic.

It is part of an order placed last June for aeroplane engines and accessories, all of which, when completed, would have been in New York had the ban on such exports not been removed.

Although at the moment behind schedule, production is being hastened on this \$1,200,000 order. It is fully expected that work will be completed and all deliveries made by next February, as arranged for in the contract.

The placing of this large order in the United States was part of the programme undertaken by Sir John Reith when he became chairman of Imperial Airways. The American engines were considered, by experts to be more suitable for the flying conditions of the Empire routes than any immediately available in Britain.

It would always have been difficult to get so large an order completed in this country in a short time, and had the contract been placed in Britain, its completion would have been impossible without interference with nationally important arms productions.

RECORD ONION IMPORTS

11,000 Tons This Season

A record quantity of more than 11,000 tons of onions had been imported into Australia this season, a total larger than the Victorian 1939 Brown Spanish crop of about 10,000 tons. Mr. Harold Parke, merchant, stated recently.

About 6000 tons had come from Egypt, 4000 tons from New Zealand and 1000 tons from Japan. There had also been a small quantity of white onions from America.

These record importations, said Mr. Parke, had been satisfactory to consumers, as they had helped to relieve the shortage of onions in Australia this season, but from the growers' viewpoint they were not welcome, as they had prevented the very small crop of Victorian onions from realising the full high market price that would have ruled had no imports been made.

The peak price level touched in Melbourne market this season had been £30 a ton—for a few days. Without imports, prices would almost certainly have been between £40 and £50 a ton.

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FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

NOVEMBER 24, 1939

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer. 1/2 7/8
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8
Credits 4 months' sight 1/3 1/4

On Shanghai:—

On demand 273

On Singapore:—

On demand 32 3/4

On Japan:—

On demand 102

On India:—

Telegraphic Transfer. 1/2 7/8

and demand 38 3/8

On New York:—

Bank Bills, on demand 24

Credits, 60 days' sight 34 7/8

On Batavia:—

On demand 44 5/8

On Paris:—

Bank Bills, on demand 1990

Credits 4 months' sight 1145

On Saigon:—

On demand 108 1/2

On Manila:—

On demand 48

On Bangkok:—

On demand 149 1/2

Sterling Notes:—

Bank Buying Rate 1/3 3/4

Bar Silver per oz 23 1/2

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 1/2 for Ready and 23 5/8 for Forward. Silver advices reported the market as being quite steady with a small business done. The New York market was closed yesterday.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402.

Market

Quiet.

Sterling

There were sellers at 1/23/32 November/February and 1/21/32 March/April, buyers at 1/3 Cash and 1/3/32 probably March.

U.S. Dollars

Sellers at 24 1/4 Cash and 24 December, buyers at 24 5/16 Cash.

Shanghai Dollars

Opened with sellers at 283 and the rate rose to 285 resulting in some business at 285 and 286. At the close there were sellers at 285 for Spot, buyers at 286.

Shanghai Market

Sterling opened with sellers for Spot at 5 15/64. The highest rate touched was 5 1/4. At the close sellers were quoted at 5 7/32 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 8 15/32 for Spot. Subsequently the rate rose to 8 1/2. At the close sellers were quoted at 8 7/16 for Spot.

Afternoon Market

The market was quiet in the afternoon.

Sterling

The market closed with sellers at 1/23/32 November/February and 1/21/32 March/April, buyers at 1/3 Cash and probably 1/23/32 March.

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Shanghai Dollars

Opened with sellers at 285 resulting in some business at 285 1/2 and 286. Towards the close sellers were quoted at 288.

Shanghai Market

Sterling opened in the afternoon at 3 7/32 sellers for Spot and subsequently the market eased off and towards the close buyers were quoted at 5 5/32 for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Nov. 24 (Reuter). Official T.T. Rates

Opening

London 0/4-3/4

New York 7-11/16

Japan 32-3/4

India 32-1/4

Paris 3-4/8

Hongkong 31-1/2

Sellers

Opening Closing

Spot 0/5-15/64 0/5-1/16

Nov. 0/5-15/64 0/5-1/16

Dec. 0/5-15/32 0/5-3/64

U.S. Dollars

Spot \$8-15/32 \$8-3/16

Aug. 8-7/16 8-3/16

Dec. 8-11/32 8-1/16

Market:—Easy.

Merchant Rates

Yesterday's Today's

Rate Rate

Sterling 0/5-3/10 0/5-7/32

U.S. Dollars \$8-5/16 \$8-7/16

Silver Duty Rate

The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today

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COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW (FROM PAYNE & CO.)

New York, Nov. 22 (Reuter)

SINGAPORE RUBBER Nov. 22 Nov. 22 Change
S P O T 38 buyers 38-3/4 buyers up 3/4
JAN-MARCH 36-1/2 " 37-1/4 " up 1/2
APRIL-JUNE 35-1/4 " 35-3/4 " up 1/2

The market was firm on London buying.

COTTON: Early Trade and foreign demand met with increased hedging and realizing. The difficulty in shipping is becoming an important factor, in spite of the business outlook here and the confidence in the market's ability to advance. The 'spot' position remains tight.

RUBBER: The strength of the market reflects the firmness of the primary markets and the continued reports of London buying to fulfill the Barter agreement. The spot position is tight. Manufacturers are reported to be the best buyers.

WHEAT: Prices were easier on liquidation and realizing. Exports were lacking. There was no change in the unfavourable weather news.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 150.98; Today's close, 150.34; Change, off 64.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(By Courtesy of Messrs. Swan, Culbertson & Fritz and S. E. Levy & Company)

Prev. To-day's
High Low Close Close Change
New York Cotton, Dec. 9.76 9.65 9.70 9.68 .02 off
New York Rubber, Dec. 20.45 20.21 20.05 20.45 .40 up
Chicago Wheat, Dec. 882 88 88 88 1/2 off
Chicago Corn, Dec. 504 501 504 504 unch.
New York Hides, Dec. 13.82 13.72 13.79 .07 up
NEW YORK COTTON Close
Opening Closing Change
December 9.70/71 9.75/75 9.68/68 .02 off
January 9.64 N 9.68/68 9.53/58 .08 off
March 9.65/58 9.60/59 9.48/48 .09 off
May 9.28/29 9.32/33 9.24/24 .04 off
July (New contract) 9.00/00 9.05/06 8.97/99 .03 off
Spot 9.20 N 9.27/27 9.19 N .01 off
Note: December cotton, first notice day:—27/11/39 last notice day:—15/12/39.

Total sales for the day:—1,880 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT December 881/881 881/881 881/881 1/2 off
May 861/861 861/861 861/861 1/2 off
July 833/834 833/834 833/834 833/834 unch.
Tuesday's sales:—1,216,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN December 501/501 501/501 501/501 unch.
May 521/521 521/521 521/521 " "
July 521/521 521/521 521/521 "

WINNIPEG WHEAT December 704a 704/704 704b 1/2 off
May 751b 751b 751b 1/2 off
July 761/761 761/761 761/761 1/2 off

NEW YORK HIDES December 13.72/72 13.71/70 13.79/79 .07 up
March 14.08/08 14.05/05 14.12/15 .04 up
June 14.35/35 14.33/33 14.43 N .08 up
New York, Official 34-3/4 34-3/4

NY/London Cross Rate 3.94-1/4 3.89

WEEKLY RETURNS AND REPORTS BANK OF ENGLAND

London, Nov. 23 (Reuter)

Public Deposits	Nov. 16	Nov. 23
£	£	£
Other Deposits	17,840	36,390
Bankers	107,080	92,940
Other Accounts	40,580	39,350
Total	147,660	132,290
Government Securities	103,200	103,950
Other Securities		
Discount & Advance	5,260	5,920
Securities	21,290	22,930
Total	26,500	28,850
Notes and Coins	53,550	54,340
Total Bullion	1,190	1,350
Notes in circulation	527,640	527,000
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities	32.35%	32.21%
Price of Gold at which holdings are valued	168/-	168/-

"bid. ex div.

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1939 Nov. 21 Nov. 23, 1939.

High Low Dow Jones Averages.

156.92 131.44 30 Industrials

35.50 24.14 20 Rail

32.57 33.68 33.31 23.35 .64 off

27.07 20.70 30 Utilities

35.84 25.72 25.48 .92 off

29.32 84.51 40 Bonds

90.61 90.17 .34 off

60.53 45.69 11 Commodity Index

55.63 56.84 .21 up

Business Done:—570,000 shares

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THREE MORE VICTIMS OF U-BOATS

4,132 TONS OF BRITISH SHIPPING LOST

LONDON, Nov. 24 (Reuter)—Three more British steamers, totalling 4,132 tons, were sunk by German submarines.

The largest was the Hull boat, Geraldus, (2,494 tons) which was sunk off the East Coast, but the whole crew of twenty-six, were picked up by a British warship.

SIXTEEN MISSING

The 1,351-ton Darling was sunk on Nov. 19, and it is feared that sixteen of the crew were either killed or drowned. Eleven others landed at an east coast town, after having spent three days in the U-Boat, before they were transferred to an Italian ship.

TRAWLER SUNK

The third boat, the Fleetwood trawler Subby (287 tons) was sunk off the Scottish coast. Seven of her crew of twelve were rescued. The remainder are missing but may be picked up by a steamer.

WEATHER REPORT

HONG KONG ROYAL OBSERVATORY

10 a.m., November 24. Barometer, (at sea level), 29.91 ins. Temperature, 70 F. Humidity, 77 per cent. Wind Direction, WNW. Wind Force (Beaufort), 3. Temperature, maximum yesterday, 78 F. Temperature, minimum last night, 63 F. Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, 3.23 ins. Total rainfall since January 1st, 86.68 ins. Against an average of, 83.74 ins. Sunset tonight 5.38 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow, 6.42 a.m.

4 p.m., Nov. 24. Barometer, (at sea level), 29.83 ins. Temperature, 73 F. Humidity, 73 per cent. Wind Direction, W. Wind Force (Beaufort), 3. Maximum temperature, 77 F. Minimum temperature, 63 F. Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 28 Nov. to 1 Dec. 1939

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER

Day of Week	Day of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Sat.	28	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		04 29	5 2	02 55	2 5
		12 54	7 4	13 45	3 3
Sun.	29	09 16	5 3	03 05	1 9
		20 26	7 9	14 15	3 4
Mon.	27	10 01	5 2	03 45	1 4
		21 04	8 3	14 46	3 5
Tues.	28	10 48	5 2	04 24	1 1
		21 40	8 4	15 20	3 8
Wed.	29	11 35	5 1	05 06	0 9
		22 21	8 4	15 56	3 8
Thur.	30	12 30	5 0	06 50	0 9
		23 08	8 2	16 30	3 9
Fri.	1	12 27	5 0	06 39	1 0
		23 57	7 9	17 15	4 1

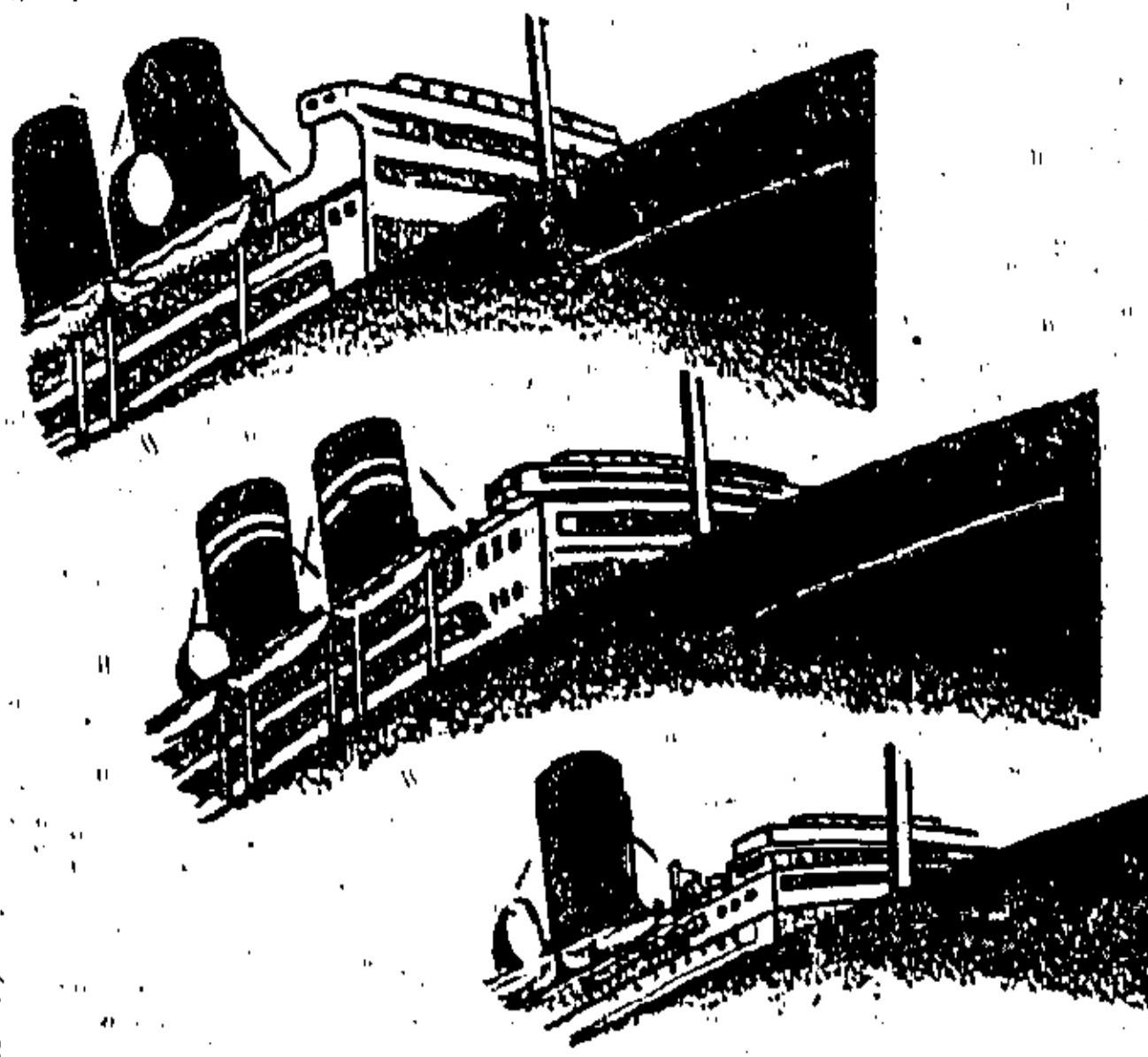
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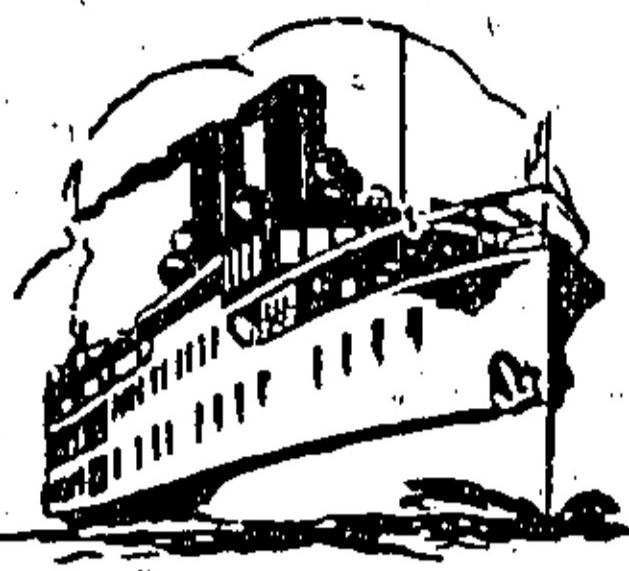
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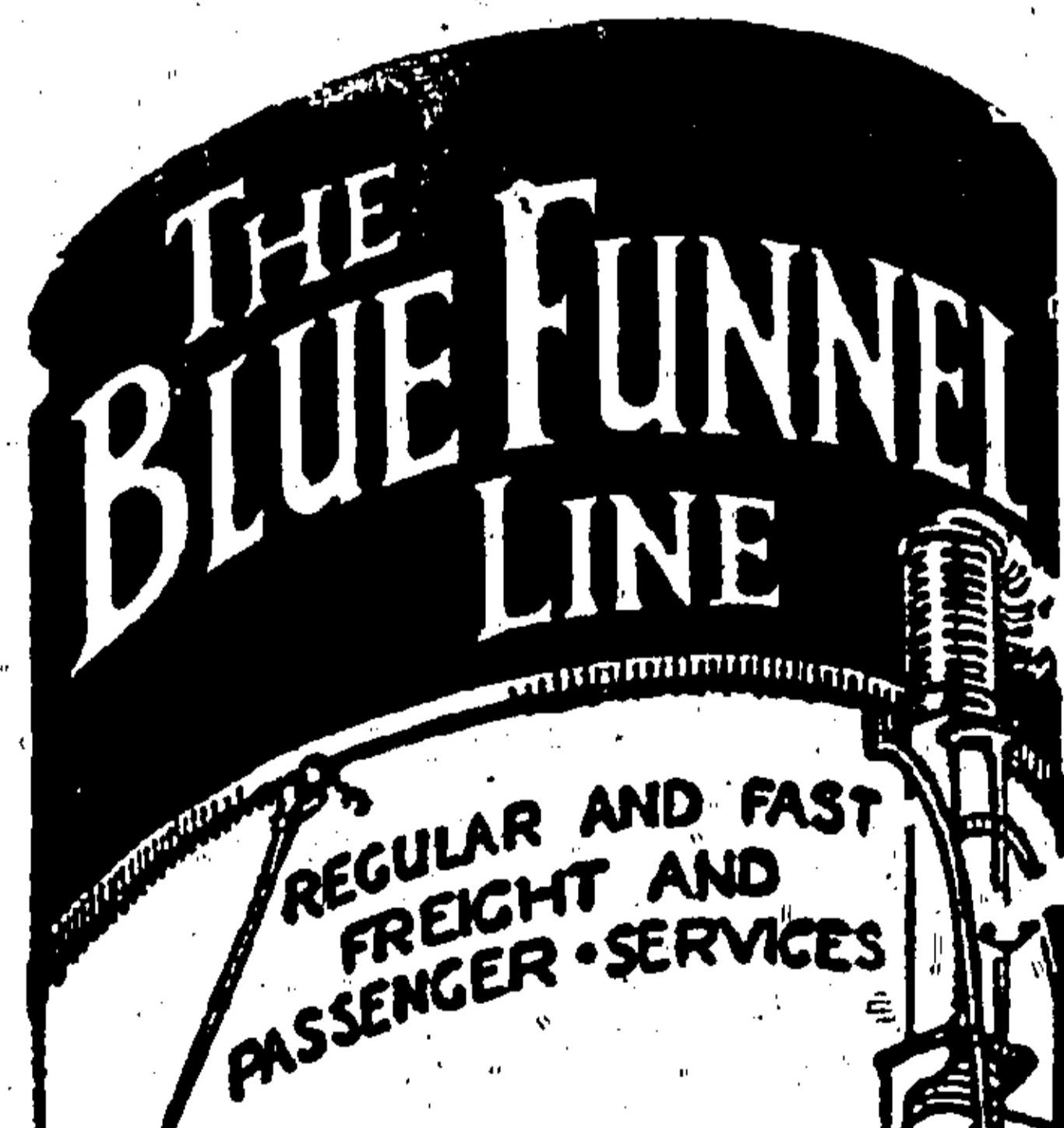
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Handicap Weights For H.K. Jockey Club's 12th Extra Race Meeting

The following are the handicap weights for the Hongkong Jockey Club's Twelfth Extra Race Meeting to be held at Happy Valley on Saturday next, December 2, commencing at 2 p.m.:

**CHARTERED BANK
LOSE CLAIM**

Continued from Page 3

agreed that they should be carried, and where he (the carrier) by his special contract never agreed that he would carry them. So far from performing the duty to which the special protective provision applies he abandons the attempt to perform it—ceases to act in accordance with it, in fact violates it."

The Refrigerant (1925) Probate p.130, another case of a contract of tow, throws no further light on the problem. Buerger v. Cunard Steamship Company (1925) 2 K.B. p.647 was a case of material departure from the contract terms and contract voyage. On appeal to the House of Lords (1927) A.C. p.1 Lord Parma said:

"It is a well established principle that stipulations in a contract of carriage limiting or negating the liability of carriers, by land or water, for loss or damage to goods entrusted to them for carriage, do not apply when such loss or damage has occurred outside the route or voyage contemplated by the parties when they entered into the contract of carriage."

Ashby v. Tolhurst (1937) 2 K.B. p.242 was a case not of bailor and bailee but of lessor and licensee, but the last paragraph of the judgment of Sir Wilfred Greene, M.R. in which for the sake of his argument he assumes a contract of bailment, seems to me to be strongly against Mr. D'Almada's contention, as: "I think, is Lord Wright's statement in Randel v. Arcos Ltd. (1937) 3 All England Law Reports p.577, "The essence of the principle is that damage has been sustained under conditions involving danger other than, and therefore different from, the conditions that would have operated if the contract had been fulfilled."

RATIO DECIDENDI

I have dealt with these cases at length for the reason that, in view of the even more lengthy and formidable array of authorities cited by Mr. Potter contra it is necessary to determine what was the ratio decidendi in the various cases falling into one or other of these two categories.

In some of Mr. D'Almada's cases there has been open repudiation of the original contract: In all of them there has been at least such a departure from the terms of the contract as to amount in law to a new contract or a new voyage to which the terms of the original contract cannot attach.

In the words of R.A. Wright K.C. (as he then was) in his argument in Buerger v. Cunard Steamship Company "The law as to abrogation of special contracts is well settled. A condition or exception ceases to operate as soon as the carrier ceases to do that which he has contracted to do."

As Lord Sumner puts it in London and North West Railway Company v. Neilson "I do not wish to be understood as adopting the appellant's argument that 'renunciation' of the contract is the test of liability."

If the carriers so conducted themselves as to show that they no longer meant to be bound by the contract without showing such an intention they must seek relief from liability somewhere in its terms."

NOTHING IN ADMITTED

FACTS

In the present case I can find nothing in the admitted facts to indicate that the defendants did anything to show that they no longer meant to be bound by their contract with the plaintiffs. On the contrary everything that they did was done honestly but mistakenly in furtherance and execution of that contract.

What they did amounts at most to misdelivery without negligence in the performance of their contract with the plaintiffs. I hold therefore that the Defendants are entitled as against the Plaintiffs to avail themselves of the conditions in their several contracts limiting or negating liability.

I pass now to consider whether the language of these conditions is sufficiently clear and explicit to afford either of the Defendants protection against the Plaintiffs' claim.

LOCUS CLASSICUS

The locus classicus is the last paragraph of the judgment of

Race No. 1—**4 Furlongs**

Balsdon 144; Diogenes 163; Dow-Jones 140; Gallant Marshal 144; Heddon 161; King's Envoy 144; King's Parade 158; Lucky Eleven 154; Old Fashioned 140; Palmer 163; Rose Day 140; Smiling Time 160; The Buccaneer 140; The Mermaid 140.

Race No. 2—**1 Mile**:

A Grand Time 135; A. Great Time 160; Baffin Bay 160; Candlelight 150; Centre Court 155; Cockleroy 150; Derby Day 155; Double Fitness 150; Janber 150; Murrumbidgee 135; National Victory 135; Rising Star 135; Snowy River 147.

Race No. 3—**1 Miles**:

Avon 158; Blue Express 168; Galaxy 158; Hectic View 155; Jober 140; Lillibet 153; Moonlight View 168; New Star 152; Red Feather 159; Rose Emily 161.

Race No. 4—**6 Furlongs**:

Blue Diamond 168; Boolat Bay 151; Dawn Star 145; Factorite 158; Galveston Bay 140; Lovely Star 156; Musketeer 168; National Pride 146; Pinfarthing 168; Rose Flora 150; Rose-Queen 152; Royal Highness 158; Soldier of Britain 144; Tampa Bay 158; Taxing Master 144.

Race No. 5—**From 1 1/2 M.P.:**

Bistro 155; Chatterbox 145; Desert Star 140; Double Chance 144; Estovert 151; Gold Coin 158; Kut Cheung 155; Night View 149; Plain View 155; The Leopard 161; The Tigris 158; This Time 142; Valorous 140; West Lake 150; Zero 144.

Race No. 6—**6 Furlongs**:

Advancing Time 168; Clowner 140; Guinness Time 158; Laughing Girl 158; Salvage Master 143;

Scruton L.J. in Gibaud v. Great Eastern Railway Company, a passage that has been cited with approval in several later cases

"If you merely enumerate losses without dealing with causes such a clause may not protect you from your own negligence: if you enumerate from all losses however caused that will protect you from own negligence. The words that have been held to give protection are 'Under any circumstances,' whatsoever, 'In any circumstances,' 'Under any circumstances.' Any injury however caused. When I read the clause 'Will not be in any way responsible' it seems to me that these words are clearly sufficient to protect the company, particularly in a case where it is eminently reasonable that they should be protected if the man who deposits property of large value has not taken the excess in value of the property which he is leaving with them."

WORDING OF GODOWN WARRANTS

So far as the \$500 condition is concerned the wording of the two godown warrants in this case is, for the Hongkong & Kowloon Godown Company Limited "The Company will not be responsible," and for the Ocean Steamship Company Limited "The Company will not be responsible in any circumstances whatsoever."

In the latter case the wording is clearly as explicit and wide as the wording which Scruton L.J. was considering in Gibaud's case. The wording in the former case "will not be responsible" was held to protect a bailee in Van Toll v. South Eastern Railway Company (1882) 31 L.J.C.P. p.241 and later in Pratt v. South Eastern Railway Company (1897) 1 Q.B. p.718.

I hold therefore that the conditions in the godown warrants negating the Defendants' liability for packages of value exceeding HK \$500 is in each case a good defence to these actions.

NEXT EXCEPTION

The next exception common to both Defendant Companies is worded thus: so far as material—"The Company will deliver the packages only on production to the Company of delivery order signed by the party who shall be for the time being registered in the Company's books as entitled to the packages, and the production by the Company of such delivery order shall at all times be conclusive proof that the packages have been properly delivered by the Company, and shall exempt the Company from all responsibility in connection with the said packages or goods."

LOCUS CLASSICUS

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Polo Turney Postponed

Thursday's typhoon was responsible for the postponement of the Inter-Regimental Polo Tournament which was to have opened yesterday after having been postponed from Wednesday.

The Hongkong Polo Club's ground at Boundary Road was found to be too soft and slippery yesterday after the previous day's heavy deluge, and the opening matches of the tourney were, therefore, postponed to Monday when weather permitting, play will start at 3.30 p.m.

As previously stated, the pening games will be between the Royal Scots and the Middlesex Regiment and the H.K.S.R.A. "B" and the Staff and Department.

FOREIGN MAIIS

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Manila	27th Nov.
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Calcutta and Straits	27th Nov.
Haliphong	27th Nov.
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Saigon	28th Nov.
Shanghai	28th Nov.
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Sandakan	29th Nov.
Japan and Shanghai	29th Nov.
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Java and Manila	29th Nov.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date 22nd November	30th Nov.
Shanghai	30th Nov.
Manila	30th Nov.
Shanghai	30th Nov.
Haliphong and Holoway	30th Nov.
U. S. A. Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 6th November)	30th Nov.
Shanghai	30th Nov.
Straits	30th Nov.
Bangkok, Saigon and Tourane	30th Nov.
Shanghai and Amoy	30th Nov.
Japan	30th Nov.
Shanghai	30th Nov.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	30th Nov.
Tientsin	30th Nov.
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Port Bayard	10.30 AM
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Shanghai	8.30 AM
Shanghai and Japan	8.30 AM
Port Bayard	8.30 AM
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